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Howard buys Wonder Plaza for \$18.3 million

By Aliya Davis
Hilltop Staff Writer

As part of a campus-wide \$90 million renovation plan, Howard University has purchased the Wonder Plaza. The University plans to move on-campus services into the building.

The Wonder Plaza, located at 2301 Georgia Avenue, 2218 Sixth St. and 2260 Sixth Street were purchased from Douglas Jemal to tentatively house an expanded bookstore and campus store, The HILLTOP office, the computer center operations, and the International Affairs Center, said James A. Fletcher II, the University's vice president for business and fiscal affairs/treasurer and chief financial officer.

According to Fletcher, Howard has been looking for some time to renovate the space for the computer center operations as well as to expand other service offices on campus as part of the renovation plan.

"They (computer center operations) do not

have the space to adequately do their jobs," Fletcher said.

Federal appropriations provided Howard \$23 million to update the equipment, make improvements in the electrical and plumbing systems, and expand or build a new facility. Since the purchase of the Wonder Plaza, there will be no need to build another facility with that money, therefore saving the university \$4.5 million, Fletcher said.

The \$18.3 million deal was completed Monday. The final details will be completed later this month.

"This purchase represents a major component in the continuing investment by the university in providing first-class facilities for its students, faculty and administrative functions. We are very pleased to have this property as a part of the full range of facilities that the university offers its students, faculty, staff and the community," President Franklin G. Jenifer said in a press release.

The purchase was financed through Nations Bank. The terms in the agreement require no down payment. The first year's payment will be the 5.3% interest rate.

In the transaction, Howard will acquire the empty space on the second and third floors as well as the rental properties on the first floor. These businesses include: Kentucky Fried Chicken, Blockbuster Video, Up Against the Wall, Negril Eatery, China Wonder, The Sports Zone, Payless Shoe Source, Nobody Beats the Wiz, Kinkos Copy, Capital Shoe Corporation, and Taco Bell.

There is also a parking lot behind the building with a capacity of 150 spaces. It has not yet been decided how these spaces will be distributed.

"It would be a lot more convenient," said Dr. Steve A. Favors, vice president for student affairs. "The bookstore would have the same hours as Wonder Plaza. Students could purchase books seven days a week."

For some Howard students, the move would be an inconvenience.

"It's (the bookstores) convenient now because it's on campus. There is so much traffic on Georgia Avenue. There's so much confusion, why go through it?" said sophomore Ericka Coan.

Arleeta Diggs, a junior from the school of Arts and Sciences said, "I'd hate to have to haul all my crap all the way across campus. It won't even be near the shuttle bus anymore."

Visitors often complain that it is difficult to find the bookstore and the campus store. Students also complain about the long lines. Fletcher said the expanded store located on a main street will improve both situations as well as to bring money into the university and the community. Security for this area will be provided by Howard University Security.

"A portion of the money from the goods purchased comes back into the university and the community," Fletcher said. "We are part of the community and we value that."

Students find anniversary march a disappointment

By Ayoka Campbell
Hilltop Staff Writer

Martin Luther King, Aug. 28, 1963; March on Washington; "I Have A Dream Speech"
"I am happy to join with you today in what will go down in history as the greatest demonstration in the history of our nation."

Students believe that the 30th anniversary of the March on Washington lacked the collective effort by African-Americans that the first march possessed 30 years ago.

Even though busloads came from South Carolina, Texas and other Southern states, this year's march was a different march for the younger generation.

Commemorating the March on Washington of 1963 that fought to gain voting rights and end discrimination, this year's committee expanded its platform to include religious groups, Asian-Americans, Hispanics, homosexuals and other groups, along with the many African-American issue-oriented organizations.

In the sweltering heat, Senior Cassie Frazier and other Howard students spent their Saturday at the march thinking the day would be a memorable one.

"I enjoyed hearing the old speakers, but the new speakers just talked about AIDS and crime. I was very disappointed because they did not focus on any issue, let alone give any solutions. I want



photo by Ayoka Campbell

Nearly 75,000 people turned out for march that featured speakers in front of the Lincoln Memorial.

to read up on the 1963 march to see if it was similar," she said.

Dennis Rahim Watson, the executive director of the National Black Youth Leadership Council, said the march was different because many changes have taken place since the 1963 march.

"Nelson Mandela is free now. We also have two legacies living at the same time, Martin Luther King and Malcolm X. We are here today because it's about people paying homage to those before us," he said.

One of the speakers representing the young people in attendance, Marlon Millner, said he was not impressed with the march and felt the speakers gave no solutions for today's problems.

"I've marched my last march. It does not do anything. They did not give the young people any substance," he said.

Even though former Howard University Student Association Vice President

Tene McCoy admired the many people who marched in 1963, she felt that marching could not solve the problems of today. But she said more young people should have been involved with the march as a learning experience for the future.

"I wanted to know what in the Civil Rights Movement has changed, or better yet, where do we go from here. It's time to make economic, social and political development beginning with this generation to lead us into the future," she said.

Dr. Joyce Ladner, vice-president of Student Affairs, who marched 30 years ago, said the many issues they marched for in 1963 are still here, but the younger generation may have another strategy for combating them.

"The problems today are just as acute as they were then. They are just more complex and harder to deal with. The younger people may have a different way they want to handle them," she said.



Photos by Leslyoyd Alleyne

The Bethune Hall Addition, which is still under construction, will hopefully solve housing woes.

Bumped students face "homelessness" on campus

By Melissa E. James
Hilltop Staff Writer

When sophomores Roxanne Areneaud and Nettrice Davis arrived at Park Square ready to move in for the year, they were surprised to find freshmen living in their apartment.

"When we came back

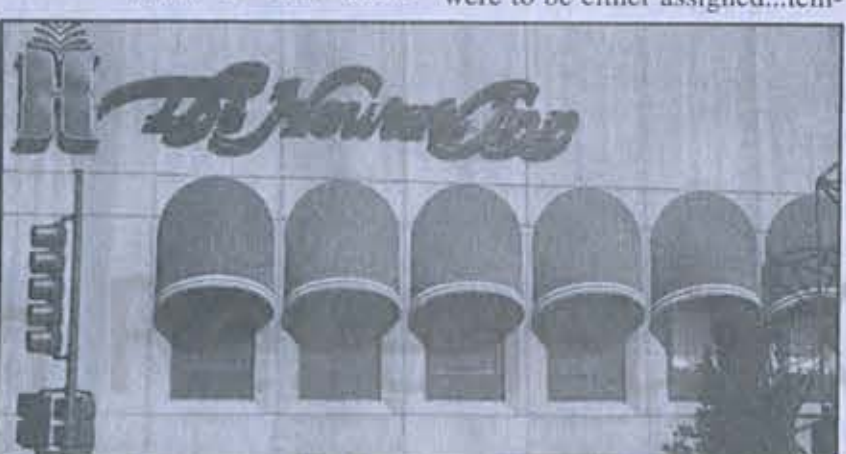
on the 19th (of August), the day that the dorm was supposed to open (for continuing students), it looked kind of funny because there were no cars out and no one moving in. We went upstairs and found out that there were other people living in our room already. We went downstairs and we were told that we were to be either assigned...tem-

porary housing or move into Eton, Sutton or Bethune," Davis said.

"We had no notice of this beforehand," Areneaud added.

About 45 other students found themselves in the same predicament.

According to William V. Keene, dean of Residence Life, the housing agreement that students are required to sign if they wish to reside in university housing is no guarantee that they will get their desired room assignment. The continuing students that were bumped out of rooms were not informed of the scenario in advance because the university officials did not expect to receive so many stu-



Displaced students in Park Square were temporarily housed in the Howard University Hotel.

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Summit set to fight international surcharge

By Kimberly Bryant
Hilltop Staff Writer

Their cry can be heard all over Howard University's campus. International students are encouraging everyone to "raise your voice against the surcharge" at the Surcharge Summit being held at the Armour J. Blackburn Center, Sept. 3.

This event is being held in response to the 1989 congressionally mandated 50 percent tuition surcharge for all foreign students admitted in the 1990-1991 academic year and is sponsored by the Advisory Council of Howard University International Organizations, the highest decision-making body of the International Organizations.

The Department of Education recom-

mended the surcharge on the basis that American taxpayers should not be made to subsidize foreign students.

"The objective of the summit is to stimulate awareness, ideas and options for the eradication of the international surcharge," said Asian Students Association President Venugopal Muttangi.

A pre-summit campaign was launched Aug. 23, the Howard University Student Association's Awareness Day. International students have left messages on their voice mail services inciting all to raise their voices against the surcharge.

The Surcharge Summit is rooted in a controversial argument between the Howard administration and Congress. It was argued that the surcharge would be beneficial to the

University. The Department of Education permitted a three year phase-in of the surcharge and that provision has been implemented.

"The surcharge threatens to destroy the true meaning of Howard University. Howard is the Mecca, a place where the African diaspora can share different perspectives and is living proof that the diaspora can be unified on black campuses everywhere. As a consequence, the Howard University Student Association is dedicated in playing a supportive role," said Reginald X. HUSA vice president.

Caribbean Student's Association President Che Keens Douglas is determined to overcome the obstacle. "If the administration is unable to repeal the congressionally mandated surcharge, I feel greater media publicity should be our next move," he said.

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Students angered by advance phone payments

By Melanie Hunter
Hilltop Staff Writer

Revisions made to the Howard University Student Telephone Program, now in its second year of operation, have students ringing with frustration.

In the pilot program, students paid a monthly phone bill. But the Telecommunications Office has changed the payment plan and this year the monthly local charges have been combined to produce a one time fee. The fee varies according to the number of occupants per dorm room and must be paid prior to receiving phone service.

Director of Information Systems and Services Wanda Gibson said the cost is comparable to the residential cost for installation and service charges offered by C&P Telephone company. To receive telephone service, C&P requires an advance payment of \$50 plus the first month's charges for local calls which costs about \$90.

According to Gibson, the plan benefits the students by eliminating the costly installation and termination fees attached to local phone services. The residents only receive a bill for long distance calls.

Dorm residents' frustrations stem from the lack of prior notification about the revised telephone system. Some students said they were not prepared to pay the entire fee early in the year.

"They should have informed us over the summer," said Faith Luster, a sophomore jazz major. "They should have taken every precaution in the beginning."

Gibson said letters describing the new phone system were sent to parents in July. But the first group of students to learn about the new plan were the resident and graduate assistants during their annual pre-orientation pro-

gram.

Terri Wade, an RA in Eton Towers, and Howard University Student Association president, said the RA's and GA's were given instructions to notify residents about the new telephone system.

Several students complained about the new system and Wade followed suit with a petition. Wade then met with Telecommunications Manager Alicia Billups to discuss the students' concerns.

"They explained that Howard lost money because of the contract between Howard and C&P. They wanted money up front to pay C&P and they didn't discuss these ideas with

anyone, not even with the administration," Wade said.

The HUSA president added that the Telecommunications Office tried to accommodate the students' financial concerns by reducing the original payment by approximately \$30.

Under the current plan, phone service in triple occupancy rooms costs \$40 per person for a semester, or \$70 per person for a full year. In double occupancy rooms, residents pay \$70 per person each semester, or \$130 per person for a full year. Single occupants pay \$100 for a semester or \$165 for a full year.

Not everyone is dis-

pleased with the new telephone service.

"It's a good idea and it comes out a lot better," said Dwayne Bastiany, a junior engineering major.

HUSA is pushing for implementation of a payment plan that does not require that full payments be made up front. The Telecommunications Office may propose several optional telephone payment plans.

HUSA plans to work with the Telecommunications Office to create a survey measuring students' opinions on the cost, service and payment arrangement of the new telephone system.

Shootings on campus raise question of security

By Melissa E. James
Hilltop Staff Writer

Howard University's campus has been the site of two shooting incidents in the last two months, prompting University security to implement measures to insure students' safety. The most recent shooting occurred Aug. 22 in front of the Harriett Tubman Quadrangle around 3 a.m.

"About 30 kids were at the front of the Quad and there were three shots total. On the first shot we didn't see anything, then the second and third shots were closer. We just all ran into the building," a freshman Quad resident, who wished to remain anonymous, said.

University Security Director Lawrence Dawson said four shots were fired by an individual who began shooting down Fourth and W streets Northwest.

Although there were no injuries in the August incident, a July shooting in front of the East Howard Plaza Towers ended in one fatality.

Security Officer John Brewer, 57, was on patrol in front of the Towers when he was confronted by two men just after 11 p.m. He was killed with his own gun.

"According to police, he had witnessed a homicide in another location in the city and he was scheduled to testify in court. He was murdered because he was a

potential witness," Dawson said.

Two men were later indicted in the murder.

Despite those two incidents, there have been few shootings on the campus in the recent past.

In the past two years, there have been three other shooting incidents at the University. In February of 1991, a student was shot in the shoulder by another student in a personal altercation that occurred in front of the Quad. In

September 1992, two non-students exchanged shots, also in front of the Quad. In October of 1992, a non-student was killed in front of Armour J. Blackburn Center during a LeDroit Association party.

University security, in an effort to increase students awareness about safety concerns, will be holding a series of safety seminars this year.

The first seminar, a mandatory orientation program for freshmen, gave tips on how to stay

safe while attending the University. The students were warned to travel in groups, to stay away from certain "high-crime" night clubs, to limit late night traveling and to mark all expensive personal belongings.

Five new security officers were hired during the summer and five more are expected to be hired by October of this year. There are currently 100 officers with the University security.

Erika Tilley, a freshman resident of the Quad who was pre-

sent the morning of the shooting, advises all students to take be cautious.

"I don't think that you should have any type of fear as far as walking out the door because this is where you're going to live for the next year, so you've got to leave," Tilley said. "So just take precautions and if you ever go anywhere make sure you're with somebody."

University Bookstore expands to accommodate students' needs

By Geneva Luck
Hilltop Staff Writer

Searching for school supplies?

Looking for electronic items like walkmans, telephones, answering machines, clocks, radios, Apple Computers or software?

Don't venture off campus for these products, the new and improved Howard University Bookstore has undergone a facelift.

The University bookstore has expanded its stock to include these items and more. Students can also purchase art supplies such as pencils, drawing pads, and construction paper.

Also, the Campus Store, in Blackburn Center, has added a few new items. Director Jacob Wormley has included more types of Howard paraphernalia with additional graphics to choose from.

Andrew Thompson, the Bookstore's new director said that the change was a group effort.

"We decided to expand our selection to satisfy the desires of our student customers."

The new additions are funded by purchases, not from budgeted monies from the school.

The Bookstore started adding software last year to the electronics section of the store, and now has expanded to include



Photo by Milana C.

Personal computers and software are among the items available at the expanded bookstore

many new programs such as Wordperfect 6.1 and Dr. Dos 5.1.

"Our software prices are cheaper than those in specialty stores because we are able to get quality materials at educational discounted prices," Thompson said.

The Bookstore also is featuring a "MacMania" that started July 1 and will run through Oct. 15. Howard students are able to purchase Apple Macintosh computers at special back to school prices. Al Payne, a Bookstore employee, sells the computers and answers any questions students may have with the equipment.

Thompson said that students should shop at the Bookstore for their notebooks and paper items, instead of drug stores because at three for one dollar prices, quality is sacrificed.

"We can't afford to give our students cheap products, it's not worth it," Thompson said.

Thompson explained that the Howard Bookstore is not among the multi-billion dollar chains that have the buying power to get manufacturer discounted prices. Also, notebooks at three for a dollar have a tendency to bleed under heavy writing conditions, and at the Howard Bookstore, only the top grade of paper is sold.

For added convenience the Bookstore extended its operating hours to Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., Fridays until 5 p.m., and on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. until the end of October.

Many students have found the lines in the Bookstore in the past to be horrendous, but Thompson said that during the first week of school lines began to die down as soon as Thursday. He expects one final busy week, but encourages students to stop by and take a look at the new additions of the Bookstore.

Committee promises soul-filled & cultural homecoming events

By Tanya Barrett
Hilltop Staff Writer

The Howard University Homecoming Steering Committee is committed to making this homecoming an unforgettable one. The theme, "From Be-Bop to Hip-Hop, Culture in Motion," signifies the soulful union between the generations of black music.

"The theme also represents a mental, physical and spiritual celebration of our people around the world," according to a statement released to describe the theme.

Three members of the committee, Executive Director Beatrice Williar-Jean, Public Relations Director Erika Woods and Talent Coordinator Elsa Lathan attended Jack the Rapper, the seventeenth annual Music Expo in Atlanta, August 12-15.

The committee attended the music expo in an effort to utilize their marketing skills. They wanted to appeal to the up and coming artists who were being featured at the conference, with the hope of attracting talent for future homecoming events.

They also met with businesses such as Cross Colours, Coke, MCA and Sony Record Companies, and Young Sisters and Brothers Magazine in an effort to get more corporate sponsorship, Williar-Jean said. The committee hopes that such sponsorship will enhance the success of events to come during homecoming week.

The traditional homecoming schedule has been revised with the addition of two

new events. Williar-Jean is particularly excited about the events, which she said are very student-oriented.

"A Night at the Cotton Club" features a jazz ensemble in conjunction with the Fine Arts students. Scheduled for Oct. 27, it is expected to highlight the music of jazz greats and to showcase students' musical and theatrical talents. Williar-Jean added that the evening is dedicated to Dizzy Gillespie, who died this spring.

The new "Celebrity Benefit Dinner" caters to the alumni. Williar-Jean said proceeds will go to scholarships as well as to minority AIDS treatment.

The Oct. 30 homecoming game will feature a rematch from last year's loss against Morehouse College. Robert F. Kennedy Stadium will host the event, as the Bison try to resettle the score from the Howard/Morehouse Classic played one year ago.

Other Homecoming events include the traditional "Call to Chapel," gospel concert, Miss Howard pageant, fashion show, Comedy Jam, Howardfest/Internationalfest, hip-hop concert, Greek step show and step show after party.

To keep the students in suspense, the committee will announce the guest artists at a later date.

Williar-Jean said she and her staff are optimistic about the 1993 Homecoming festivities. She added that the support from administration and alumni has made the committee's efforts to put on a great show even more fruitful.

HUSA strives to promote unity through university activities

By Aliya Davis
Hilltop Staff Writer

The Howard University Student Association (HUSA) plans to provide services as well as activities geared toward increased and continued cultural awareness, according to HUSA President Terri Wade. She added that the activities also promote unity among Howard students and the sur-

rounding community. The first Community Outreach activity planned is Community Day. Scheduled for Sept. 25, the annual program seeks to foster the relationship between Howard students and the community. With Community Day, HUSA hopes to orient students to the surrounding area, its political

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leaders and issues.

"This year's events are to be more of an outstretch than in past years," HUSA Recording Secretary Tara Winder said. Many students come to Howard from various states and countries and do not know who some of the movers and shakers are in the Washington, D.C. area, Winder added.

Speakers, politicians,

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CAMPUS PLUS

Freshmen get their first taste of the Mecca

by Stephanie Treviño
Hilltop Staff Writer

The class of 1997 has joined the ranks of Howard University, and whether they are far from home, or just a short drive away, most freshmen have discovered that it is truly a different world.

Before setting foot on campus soil, many heard about the reputation Howard had for being a party school. Activities hosted by the Campus Pals gave freshmen a taste of their new-found college social life.

The week began August 14 with the "New Student Ice Cream Social."

"It was on, except the ice cream was melted," freshman Keith Owes, a Baltimore native said.

Other events included the variety show and Howard's infamously risqué version of the dating game.

"Bachelor number three," a Denver native also known as Louis Baker, said Campus Pals events like the dating game were a catalyst for meeting people.

"It (the dating game) was fun and entertaining. They (contestants) put you in a situation where you had to sort of play politics with the contestants and the audience in order to come up with smooth, but tasteful answers," Baker said. "There are a lot of people to meet here and you might wind up meeting your equal."

Senior Joseph Gibbs, who is vice-chairman of the Campus Pals, said he was pleased with freshmen participation in all the scheduled events, but he remarked that the class of 1997 was short tempered.

"The freshmen complained beforehand about the wait, but it was one of the best Blackburn parties I've been to," he said.

The Campus Pals will continue to hold events throughout the year including a rap session where freshmen will provide their opinions on the Campus Pals events.

Some freshmen were exposed to other aspects of the social setting. New members of the football team were easily recognized by the "H's" shaven into their heads.

Freshman Si McGrady felt the "H" was worth the embarrassment.

"You have to do certain things to earn that 'H,'" McGrady said. "That is your initiation into the football team and there is a pride there."

Freshmen Chadrick Kennedy said his "H" was a catalyst to more social interaction.

"I got a lot of sympathy and met a lot of people," Kennedy said.

The first couple of weeks for the freshmen did not consist of just fun and games. Although many enjoyed their first week and the Campus Pals events, the frustration of registration and course selection

took its toll.

"I expected the schools to have air conditioning and for things to run more smoothly," Monique Abby said. "It was like everybody was still on vacation."

Kennedy echoed Abby's sentiments about the registration process.

"It was hell," he said. "I really didn't know what I had to get done."

Owes, having gone through pre-orientation, had a different perspective on the registration process.

"I was fine," he said. "I didn't have to stand in any lines, just a little line to get validated."

Despite having varied backgrounds and interests, freshmen share a common bond — dorm life.

Freshman Emeka Orakwue, who lives in Drew Hall, feels dorm life has its pros and cons.

"Dorm life at Howard is hard because the facilities are old and falling apart," Orakwue said.

Abby, a Bethune Hall resident, said the freedom of dorm life is a plus. "I don't have to share my room with anybody, and there's no curfew."

Beyond the social life and partying, most freshmen agree that they are at Howard to get a top-quality education.

Louis Baker stated his priorities simply. "I'm here for the opportunity," he said.



Photo by Leslloyd Alleyne

Freshmen battle the bulge

By Aliya Davis
Hilltop Staff Writer

It begins as a harmless late night pizza with your friends, a study-break bag of popcorn or even a quick candy bar to tide you over until the next meal. Unfortunately, these seemingly harmless acts of consumption often result in the infamous Freshman 15.

While not a recognized disease, Freshman 15 is a very real epidemic for many college freshmen.

Sophomore Tisa Williams gained 7 pounds during her freshman year. She ate in the cafeteria once a day, but supplemented those meals with fast food.

"I took late night trips to Georgia Avenue, or any other place that delivered," Williams said.

Junior Kelli Lofton admitted her eating habits changed during her freshman year. Because she was unable to cook for herself, this often led to the consumption of junk

food.

According to dietitian Judy Fields, many students need to know what makes a balanced meal to prepare themselves to eat healthy.

"Dorm life does offer choices for a balanced diet, but there are also other choices," Fields said.

Fields suggests eating vegetables in greater quantities than fruit. Vegetables do not contain as much simple sugar as fruit, providing more nutrients for fewer calories.

However, fruits are a good source for natural sugar and a substitute for candy because they contain very little fat. Any food in excess may not be healthy.

Large amounts of fat and refined carbohydrates should be avoided, according to Michael S. Lasky, author of The Complete Junk Food Book. Saturated fats, such as those found in grease, dairy products, pork and beef raise the level of blood cholesterol. This fat is deposited along the

artery walls and can eventually lead to heart problems if collected in large amounts, Lasky explained.

Freshman Amber Thames also admits that she eats at times simply because friends may be eating at a certain time.

Exercise can be a solution for those who have trouble controlling their intake. Howard University is equipped with a track and weight lifting room located on the ground floor of John H. Burr gymnasium.

"Last year I joined an aerobics class at the University to maintain my weight control and not gain a sophomore 15," Myisha Driver, a psychology major said.

There is a scale in Burr Gymnasium that will allow students to monitor their weight.

It is possible to maintain or lose weight while attending the University, but this will only come from self discipline and fewer trips to the vending machines.

Students among the homeless

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Most of the students affected by the increase were those assigned to Park Square and Meridian Hill Hall.

Dislocated students at Meridian Hill were generally reassigned to other rooms within the dorm. For those assigned to Park Square, however, the story was a bit different. Many of these students found themselves living in temporary housing.

Displaced students in Park Square were temporarily housed in The Howard

University Hotel or Truth Hall (in the Tubman Quadrangle), a dormitory that was supposed to be closed for the 1993-94 school year due to renovations. However, as of Aug. 28, 19 students still remained in the hall waiting to be reassigned, while 13 remained in the hotel.

They were then reassigned according to their classification (priority being given to seniors) to Slowe, Bethune, Eton Towers, Sutton Plaza and Meridian Hill. Those who chose to be reassigned into housing with a higher room rate than

their previous assignment would be required to pay the higher charge. Students reassigned to Bethune, however, would not have to purchase the meal plan.

In order to ease the students' transition, the Office of Residence Life offered to help residents move by providing van transportation.

For Areneaud and Davis, the worst part of their ordeal is that they will not get to room with their desired roommates. For most, it was nice to finally have a place to call home.

HUSA seeks to unify the campus

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businesspeople and performers from the community have been asked to participate along with Howard University students. The festivities will end with a march to Malcolm X park.

Other ongoing HUSA activities are the Awake lecture series, cultural night at The Punch Out and the awareness rallies on the Yard.

The Awake lecture series is a cooperative effort between HUSA and other campus organizations who have come together to bring panelists to Howard's campus, according to coordinator Donald Jean. The panelists at these weekly forums will try to encourage cultural awareness and reaffirm cultural unity.

The planned activities for the Punch Out in Armour J. Blackburn Center will give students the chance to participate in open mike sessions. "It is a opportunity for those who creatively express their talents that are culturally based," Terri Wade said.

Other features in the fast food eatery may showcase dancing, jazz and poetry readings. Wade said such programs will give students an avenue of creative expression that will allow them to entertain themselves in a positive way. Wade hopes that such programs will also bring students back to the Punch Out, which was once a center of campus activity.

HUSA hopes to hold awareness rallies on alternate Fridays. The purpose of the rallies, which will be held on the yard, is to

foster dialogue between the student government and the students.

"The first rally was to encourage unity amongst ourselves and the community and, basically, to let the students know where we are and what we are doing," Wade said.


Recognizing students' need for financial aid, HUSA will be providing an updated data bank of available scholarships for students will be accessible free of charge in their respective schools.

Wade said that the first step in coming up with solutions to problems is to get together and start a dialogue. She encourages attendance to all activities, more volunteers and students to come by the HUSA office in the Blackburn Center Room 120 with questions or comments.

SPEAK OUT


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What has been your most eye-opening experience since being at Howard?




"On t.v. you see a lot of Korean store owners. When you look in the window you see black things that you want to buy, then you go inside and it's Korean people selling them. And it surprises you and makes you upset that our people can't sell our own things."

Shawn Lewis, freshman, Mingo Junction, OH, Pharmacy




"There are so many different cultures. Everybody's black, but from so many different places and with so many different accents. That's really enlightened me."

Chris Holmes, New Entrant, Philadelphia, PA International Business




"I was surprised at all of the cultures here. I didn't think it was all black people but, it's more white people than I expected. None of my professors, so far, are American. And I was surprised at that also."

Nwenna Gates, Freshman, Philadelphia, PA, French



"My most eye opening experience is the freedom—having the chance to be in control of what you want. You have to make up your mind on when you want to study and when you want to have fun."

Benjamin Dison, Freshman, Albany, GA, Biology



"I've been trying to get classes for five days. I was so frustrated I had to go to the phone to call my mom—crying. When I finally got my turn to go register, all my classes were closed. I was so shocked that it would be so hard just to get my classes."

Rayshawn Holmes, Freshman, Administration of Justice, Washington, DC

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SPEAK OUT



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We have to keep on marching

Could those who marched on Aug. 28, 1963 have known that 30 years later we would march again, not for a re-enactment, but ironically, for the same reasons?

Jobs, justice and peace were the demands black leaders made at the 1963 March on Washington 30 years ago. Segregation was the prime culprit to which blacks fell victim then. This directly resulted in the Civil Rights Movement of the 1950s and 1960s. That historical March on Washington in 1963 was a wake-up call for American society to make amends to its "darker citizens."

This year, thousands of people from all over the country gathered to march on Washington for jobs, justice and peace. Sadly, this march wasn't just about remembering what happened 30 years ago; it was about what we are still dealing with today.

Since that March on Washington 30 years ago, things have progressed, not entirely, but they have progressed. In this year's march, we had both the old and the new leaders appearing and making speeches about the social and physical ills of our

people.

"We need jobs! We need health care! We need justice! We need peace!" These were the demands that the speakers made. One woman who held a sign next to me said, "Black people need money and we need it now."

Now that the 1993 March on Washington is history, what happens next? Was this march as effective as the one that took place 30 years ago? Will this one appear in our children's history books? Saturday's march, along with the heat and humidity, was filled with demands of change, but what is the solution?

Benjamin Chavis, chairman of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, stressed that we must continue to march because the march is just beginning. But wasn't this the statement that could have been said 30 years ago?

It seems like we have been getting too many beginnings and not one ending in sight. Whatever happened to finishing what you start? This isn't the beginning. It is a continuation: a continuation of searching for the dream that a great black leader

once envisioned.

Dr. Chavis' solution was broad but valid. We must keep on marching. We have to keep on marching through our American nightmare. Many of us can't find jobs, justice, or get any peace.

Many of us couldn't even bear the heat. That is one thing I will definitely remember about Aug. 28, 1993. The heat was probably the number one distraction that kept the marchers from listening to the speakers.

People who weren't under the shade were constantly up and about looking for it. There were some marchers that kept cool by wading in the Reflecting Pool that lies between the Lincoln Memorial and the Washington Monument. The National Guard and the D.C. Fire Department lent their support by providing the participants with a shower to walk through and water trucks to keep them from dehydrating.

If you were one of the many thousands who came to the march to be a part of history, or to be involved in making a better nation, not only did you battle the sweltering heat, you kept on marching.

A letter from the President

Each new academic year brings with it a new group of students who arrive on this campus ready and eager to partake of the quintessential Howard experience.

As you join in this procession, I extend to you a warm welcome and a bit of advice. I speak not only as one who has been privileged to serve as president of this historic institution since April 1990, but also as one who once stood where you are today.

When I entered Howard University as a freshman, I remember well the mixed feelings of anticipation, pride and fear that coursed through my mind as I contemplated the challenges ahead. After the typical adjustment to the rigors of college life, I settled in, staying on to earn my master's degree here in microbiology. I can honestly say that Howard was one of the prime shaping influences in my life, as I am sure it will be in yours.

What are some of the ways you can make your stay here particularly meaningful and

fulfilling? Let me share with you three key pointers.

First, open yourself to the wealth of learning opportunities that this institution provides. Vary your course schedule by not only selecting courses in areas in which you performed well in the past, but also those that will expose you to entirely new areas of knowledge and will test your abilities to master new skills.

Take advantage of the lectures, performances, art exhibitions, concerts, poetry readings, scientific conferences and other events that have made this campus an intellectual hub of Washington, D.C., and of black America. Enjoy the opportunity to meet people from all over the nation and many parts of the world. Explore the rich resources of Washington, D.C., which, despite its problems, remains one of the glorious cities of the world.

The intellectual stretching all this involves will enhance your academic success and, I might add, your success in life.

Second, be involved. Learning is not a passive process,

nor should it be confined to the classroom. Through the range of extracurricular activities provided on this campus, you can increase knowledge, build leadership skills, meet and make friends and help the larger community. Social involvement has a long and proud tradition at Howard, and you will find satisfaction in carrying it on.

Finally, don't be afraid to ask for help. At many academic institutions, "sink or swim" seems to be the password. That isn't so here at Howard or, I submit, at the vast majority of historically black higher education institutions. We want you to succeed; we believe in nurturing; and we practice it.

So if you have a problem, academic or otherwise, don't be afraid to seek advice — from a teacher, dean, counselor, residence hall adviser, fellow student, or even from me.

We are here for you, and you are here for us.

Dr. Franklyn G. Jenifer
is president of Howard University.

A letter from HUSA

We welcome you to Howard University and we hope this year will be a year of growth: spiritually, educationally and socially.

As young black students, we are forced to make some decisions when we accept our responsibilities (all of which are very important) to the Howard community and to the community at-large. These decisions not only affect us individually, but our people as well. Whatever the case may be, making these decisions will lead to growth and development.

Now, allow us to briefly explain what the Howard University Student Association is and how we operate. HUSA is the governing student body of the university, represented by elected officials that serve a one-year term.

As student leaders, we accept the responsibility and necessity to provide for: broad involvement and adequate representation of all major student segments; improvement of the channels of communication between the administration, students and faculty; a mechanism capable of recognizing and meeting the needs of the community; and coordination of an overall thrust for student interests and concerns.

Currently, we are preparing for events in the areas of health care, financial assistance, international affairs, community outreach, dormitory/building maintenance, a collective work coalition, cultural expose; bi-weekly rallies; Awake Lectures and more.

In conclusion, we hope

that you will take on the role of the young black student leader. It is absolutely imperative that we form a united front throughout the campus, as well as throughout the country and around the world.

The purpose of this united front is to form a mechanism to uplift our people. We, as HUSA, would like to initiate this process in hopes that our black students will join in as well "because our people need fearless warriors." We look forward to your involvement in making this university a true 'mecca' of black education.

Terri R. Wade and Reginald X
are president and vice-president
of the Howard University Student Association.

So how long have
you been waiting
to be validated?

Oh, I'd say
just a few
years



Letter from the Editor

Hey you!
Why are you reading *The Hilltop*?

Is it because it is aesthetically pleasing? Or because it is intellectually stimulating? Or perhaps you picked up a copy because everybody else did.

Well, regardless of the reason, you are holding a limited edition masterpiece (one of 10,000). Years from now, when your children are Bison, they will go to Moorland-Spingarn and look up this very paper to learn what movies were out, what registration was like and why we were marching in 100 degree heat in 1993.

Everyone has the opportunity to be a part of this legacy. In fact, everyone has the opportunity to leave their contribution right here on the editorial page. Write a letter with your compliment or complaint about your paper, your school, your government or your people.

This is your chance; a

few carefully chosen words could make you a legend.

And do not forget about the Perspective page. This is for your commentaries: your thoughts on major world issues or major issues in your world.

Comment on anything from interracial relationships to the international student surcharge, from dormitory renovations to the decay of the American education system, from African-Americans in the media to AIDS.

This is your medium. Do not let others make history without you.

This invitation also extends to budding journalists or those of you who think you can write an intelligible article. We welcome freelancers. Just give us a call when you want to cover an event or spotlight a person. We need your help to make *The Hilltop* the best student newspaper on any cam-

pus. This, the 70th year of publication, is dedicated to excellence. Excellence through participation and involvement of the entire Howard University family. You cannot complain that *The Hilltop* didn't cover something if you didn't try to tell us about it. You cannot say *The Hilltop* is not addressing issues you want to read about if you don't call with suggestions.

College is a learning experience and producing *The Hilltop* is one of many ways Howard University is preparing its students. Don't let the opportunity slip away. Before you know it you'll be leaving the Yard and hopefully you'll be leaving a little piece of you on these pages.

Otesa Middleton is editor in chief of *The Hilltop*.

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PERSPECTIVES

No turning back after you start

Renee Zinnerman

What is it about human nature that allows us to do things that are in direct contradiction with our beliefs? As a moral, socially-conscious African-American woman, I am striving to become the person I want to be, a woman of character who is able to stand by her beliefs in the face of controversy and adversity. But for four years, I have been overtaken by what I now believe to be my tragic flaw.

The flaw is not an uncommon one. It is the same thing that has blemished some of the most spotless character records: Vanessa Williams, Marion Barry and even United States President Bill Clinton. If you still don't know what I'm talking about, I guess I have to say it. SEX. I have a

problem with sex. I have a problem resisting it even though I believe it's wrong. I am a Christian, and it is no secret that the Bible says fornication is a sin. It is no secret that sex is only sanctioned by the church when performed within the institution of marriage — not "He's been my boyfriend for a year now, so it's okay," not "We're in love and it feels right so it must be right," not "But I know we're getting married," not even "I'm wearing his engagement ring and the wedding is tomorrow" — MARRIAGE, what is supposed to be the inseparable union of two souls. In spite of this knowledge and my firm belief in the veracity of it, I have managed to come up with a myriad of reasons (some of those mentioned above included) as to why it's okay, "at least

this one time."

But the times are adding up, and I'm beginning to wonder if anything can make me stop. I've tried everything. I've removed myself from situations that I knew would place me in compromising positions, and I have made several pledges (usually on New Year's) to myself and God to not do it anymore, to let it go. Each time I feel strong enough to resist (usually after much prayer and strengthening of my spirit), a wonderful young man walks into my life and knocks me off my feet. Then I think, "Well, I did it with that other person, and I didn't even like him as much, so it would really be unfair for me not to do it with this new wonderful person who I love so much." So I'm back to square one.

I won't say I haven't

grown. With regular publishings of AIDS statistics on the skyrocketing of the HIV virus among heterosexual African-Americans, I think twice now before going for the gusto. Magic Johnson's announcement that he was HIV positive didn't hurt either. This summer, when Essence magazine published an article, "Young, Hot and Celibate," on people in their 20s choosing to abstain, I prided myself in being a part of that movement. Then, I met the guy who is now my boyfriend, and you know the rest of the story.

It's not even that I like sex so much. After doing it for so long and trying everything that I intend to try, it's actually not that thrilling anymore. Undoubtedly, the gradual strengthening of my views against premarital sex are help-

ing me to slowly move away from it. But until I can let go of it totally, I will remain a sexually frustrated sista, caught in what seems to be an endless cycle of doing something that I know is not best for me.

So to all of you contemplating having sex for the first time, don't do it. It's not worth it, and it gets old real fast. You have the rest of your lives to share your body with another. Besides, if you don't do it, you decrease your risk of health problems (and let me tell you, there are a lot of potential health problems — many minor, some major — that go along with having sex). But if you are like me and just couldn't wait for that final someone, you know that it's almost pointless to say you're not going to do it anymore. Sex is like a bag of Lay's (no pun

intended) potato chips. No one can eat just one. Once you do it, you're pretty much sexually active for the rest of your life, although there will be dry spells. So if you have already ventured into the world of physical intimacy, at least be safe. Of course, I'm talking about the ever-popular condoms. Many guys will try to convince you that they can't "feel" anything when they wear them, but unless you know he's a virgin and you are too, don't risk your life for a thrill that will last for a few seconds. And to all of you who find yourself in my situation — trying to stop — just call that demon out and pray with me and for me.

The writer, using a pseudonym, is a senior in the School of Communications.

Sex

Charles Quinn

Actually, "Wait" would have been a better title, but I just wanted to get your attention.

This commentary is written to whom it may concern, particularly the Class of 1997. Allow me to introduce myself. I'm a 22-year-old male graduating senior, and by society's standards, I'm a virgin.

I'm not going to discuss morals or values, preach abstinence or condemn promiscuity. Nor is this commentary self-laudatory, saying "Look at me! Look what I've done." I'm not seeking a trophy for the "Most Repressed Brother on Campus" (though I know I'd win it). I just want to let those of you who have not had sex know that you are not alone. There are others out there who, for whatever reason, just like yourself didn't, don't or won't "give it up."

Don't give up, and don't give in. Regardless of what your friends are doing (or claiming they do); regard-

less of what music is glorifying, what your body says it needs, or what your mind finds particularly curious, wait. Too many times, I have heard how a brother or sister's "first" was with someone whom they wouldn't be caught dead with months later. Don't let this be you. Wait.

Granted, this is easier said than done, for waiting is a constant, day-to-day struggle. It does not help that in this day and age, "gettin' some" is easier than flunking Freshmen English. But, let me ask you a question. Sisters, why let someone take something from you that's not theirs? Brothers, why give a part of yourself to anyone who will take it? Do you really want to share all that you are with every Tomika, Dikia and Harifa that you meet?

My love for Jesus Christ is the main deterrent for denying my body what it pleads to do but there are other reasons. I don't want just anyone to have me. I don't want

to give a dearly cherished gift to someone who wouldn't appreciate it tomorrow. So, I'm waiting. Waiting for that special woman who will bear my children, be my best friend, my bride, my lover. To her and her alone do I intend to share my self with — my mind, my body, my love, all that I am.

Whatever your personal reason is, grasp it. Hold on to it. Don't let it go. It will help you say no when everything around you says "Just Do It." You will be able to say not yet. Not until I know that my gift will be treasured for a lifetime.

The greatest regret will always be that you did — not that you didn't. So, if you haven't, don't or won't — please, wait. Wait, so that when you have, do and will, you'll be glad that you took the road less traveled "and that has made all the difference."

Charles Quinn is a graduating accounting major.



Blacks, Latinos must Unite

Dr. Manning Marable

The major challenge in revitalizing the democratic movements for democracy and social justice for America's people of color is the forging of creative coalitions across ethnic lines. The major priority here must be the building of unity between African Americans and Latinos. Yet for various reasons since the late 1970s, this effort has been largely unsuccessful.

There are at least four critical issues which have fostered tensions between Latino and African-American political leaders.

First, after the Census of 1990, scores of Congressional districts were reapportioned to have Latino or African-American majorities or pluralities, guaranteeing greater minority representation in Congress.

However, in cities and districts where Latinos and blacks were roughly divided, or especially in those districts which blacks had controlled in previous years but in which Latinos were now in the majority, disagreements often led to fractious ethnic conflicts. Latinos claimed correctly that they were grossly underrepresented within the political process.

Many black middle class leaders replied that Latinos actually represented four very different ethnic groups with little to no shared history or common culture: Mexican-Americans, concen-

trated overwhelmingly in the southwestern states; Hispanics from the Caribbean, located in the northeast and midwest; Cuban-Americans, mostly middle-to-upper class exiles of Castro's Cuba; and the most recent Spanish speaking emigrants from Central and South America.

Black leaders insisted that Cuban-Americans definitely should not be considered an "underprivileged minority," and as such did not merit minority set-aside development programs, affirmative action and equal opportunity programs.

Immigration issues were also at the center of Latino-black conflicts. More than one-third of the Latino population of more than 24 million in the U.S. consists of undocumented workers. Some middle class black leaders took the politically conservative view that undocumented Latino workers deprived poor blacks of jobs within the lowest wage sectors of the economy.

Third, bilingual education and efforts to impose language and cultural conformity on all sectors of society such as "English-only" referenda, have also divided many Latino and black voters.

Finally, there is the factor of demography. Because of relatively higher birth rates than the general population and substantial immigration, by the year 2010, Latinos will outnumber African-Americans as America's largest minority group.

Many Civil Rights

leaders and black elected officials are still accustomed to employing the simplistic "black-white" categories to discuss race relations, and become defensive when Latino perspectives and issues are placed on the political agenda.

The tragedy here is that too little is done either by African-American or Latino "mainstream leaders" to transcend their parochialism and to redefine their agendas on common ground. Latinos and blacks alike can agree on an overwhelming list of issues — such as the inclusion of multicultural curricula in public schools, improvements in public schools, improvements in public health care, job training initiatives, the expansion of public transportation and housing for low to moderate income people, and greater fairness and legal rights within the criminal justice system.

Thus, on a major series of public issues — education equality, housing, health care, jobs, Civil Rights enforcement — Latinos and African-Americans share a core set of common interests. What is necessary today is the creative, visionary leadership which can bridge the cultural, language and ethnic divisions, creating a dialogue of mutual respect. Together, Latinos and African-Americans can win the fight for equality and social justice.

Dr. Manning Marable is a professor of political science and history at the University of Colorado.

What is Labor Day?

Bashaan Prewitt

Now that you are validated and have met your instructors for the semester, it is time to think about that important holiday that is quickly arriving. You know that holiday that shows up every first Monday in September.

Yes, Labor Day is coming! What are your plans? Where are you going? Who are you going to see? What is the meaning of Labor Day?

People do a lot of different things on Labor Day, but for what actual purpose? What is Labor Day? Is it a day that we recognize the working men and women of this country? Can it be a day of reflection for the people who are currently unemployed? With millions of people out of work, can the unemployed genuinely celebrate the country's labor force?

So what exactly are we celebrating? Usually when a holiday rolls around, we know why that particular day is being recognized, though we might not necessarily celebrate it.

For example, we might celebrate Christmas by giving gifts or having a party. We may not celebrate it at all, but we

know that it is the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ.

Traditionally, some people have cookouts on Labor Day. They invite family and friends to get together and enjoy each other's company, or at least to tolerate each other's company. The Labor Day cookout may be the last one for the summer, or perhaps for the year.

Since Labor Day is the last holiday of the summer, it heralds the beginning of fall and the new school year. After basking in three months of fun, children are once again resigned to the classroom. Parents can enjoy the relief that their home will once again be empty during the day. Nobody will suck up the electricity by using the television, the stereo or the air conditioner.

Since most of us, or at least some of us, here at Howard are fashion conscious, remember to undon the whites. Put your white suits, your pants and your shoes in the back of your closet, and don't take them out until spring.

Besides, you wouldn't want to get those clothes dirty when you go to a football game. The boys of summer will soon be finishing their games, while

the men of fall will resume theirs. For the next 18 Sundays and Monday nights proceeding Labor Day, men (and some women too) will be entranced by their television sets.

So is this what Labor Day is all about — having a day off, barbecuing, starting school, watching and playing football and taking off white clothes? Is there anything else I missed about this holiday that seems to be without a concise meaning?

When I was growing up, I remember cutting the grass on Labor Day. I was the only one on my street who was working. After all, it was Labor Day.

If any of you intelligent people at Howard can define the true meaning of Labor Day, or at least have an idea, please write in your thoughts and viewpoints here at *The HILLTOP*. Let us know if there is some type of saint or something on Labor Day that can give us good luck or presents. And don't forget to have a great and meaningful weekend.

Bashaan Prewitt is a communications major.

LOCAL

The District continues to wage statehood fight

By Ayoka Campbell
Hilltop Staff Writer

Mayor Sharon Pratt Kelly, D.C. Shadow Senator Jesse Jackson and Dick Gregory were arrested last week while rallying for statehood for Washington, D.C.

Kelly, Jackson and Gregory were charged with unlawful assembly for a series of sit-ins to protest the second-class treatment of Washington, D.C.'s 600,000 residents.

Carrying signs, passing educational information to pedestrians and getting citizens to blow their horns in support of the cause, many people have been marching with government officials all summer from the Judiciary Square to Capitol Hill to fight for D.C. statehood.

Van Whitfield, chief of staff for the mayor's Office of Communications, said they will continue marching every Thursday from 10:00 a.m. until noon until lawmakers agree to make Washington, D.C. a state.

"We are marching so that we can have a say in our own destiny. We want to receive all of the benefits that all of the other 48 contiguous states have," Whitfield said.

In an open letter to the citizens of Washington, D.C., Kelly outlined her reasons for

supporting D.C. statehood. Her main concern is for full representation in Congress for the District.

"Congress has refused to pass other laws to accommodate some of our people and alleviate their suffering, and it has refused us, alone among all of the other citizens of the 48 contiguous states, the right of representation in the national Legislature, a right, as inestimable to us as it is sacredly and proudly held by the other citizens of our country," she said in the press release.

Mayor Kelly said D.C. residents pay taxes to the federal government and serve in the U.S. military, but do not have the rights to select their judges or to establish and shape their own form of government. "Congress has rendered us nearly impotent to compete with our neighboring states for economic development and opportunity," she said in the press release.

Different committees have been organized in the process of getting lawmakers to make the District a state. These committees meet every other Friday in order to strategize new ways to achieve statehood.



photo by Ayoka Campbell

Sterling King assists students in his multi-purpose business on Georgia Avenue.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Friday, Sept. 3

10 a.m.-9 p.m. - The carnival and vendors will be located on Emory and Banneker fields.

7-10 p.m. - A Sponsor Appreciation Reception at The Howard University Hotel.

Saturday, Sept. 4

8:30-10 a.m. - A Fun Run/Turtle Walk will start at Georgia Avenue and Peabody Street. The race will proceed down Georgia to Barry Place, N.W.

10 a.m.-1 p.m. - The Georgia Avenue Day Parade takes place. It will begin at Georgia and Eastern Avenues and will end at 9th Street and Barry Place across from Howard University.

10 a.m.-7 p.m. - The Banneker Festival at 9th Street and Barry Place Banneker Recreation Center. Banneker Field will be filled with games, vendors, children's activities, music and food.

10 a.m.-7 p.m. - The Emory Festival will be held on Georgia Avenue and Missouri Emory Recreation Center. Carnival activities include free pony rides, vendors, children's traveling museums and entertainment.

Sunday, Sept. 5

10 a.m.-5 p.m. - Georgia Avenue Day will conclude with a carnival.

Georgia Avenue Day to highlight local businesses

By Genea Luck
Hilltop Staff Writer

If you can't get a ride to Virginia Beach or you don't have enough money to go home for Labor Day weekend, don't worry. Stay right here in D.C. for the 11th Annual Georgia Avenue Day festivities.

Since Georgia Avenue Day began in 1982, Howard students have always found the celebration to be a lot of fun and a good way to get in touch with the community surrounding the campus.

The festivities for Georgia Avenue Day began on Wednesday, Sept. 1, with Councilmember Frank Smith's Georgia Avenue Business Seminar at The Howard University Hotel.

Georgia Avenue business owner Sterling King will be participating in his 11th Georgia Avenue Day. His business, Typewriter Serviceman, has been on Georgia Avenue and in the Howard University community since 1968.

King started fixing typewriters in his basement and opened his business after he retired from working with the federal government. Today King has expanded from one rack of greeting cards to a wide selection of cards, paintings, posters

and prints from various black artists. King said he opened the shop for his son.

"My son was sick at an early age, and I wasn't sure if he would be able to go to college. So to plan for his future, I opened the shop so he would have a chance to work in the community."

In 1975, King met a black distributor who encouraged him to stock black greeting cards in his typewriter shop.

King has traveled and attended several seminars to meet some of the artists. "I also encourage some of the younger artists to stop by; I have no problem displaying their work."

King works very closely with students since his shop is located right beside the University. "I have always hired students to work part time," he said.

Besides repairing typewriters, the typewriter serviceman also offers key cutting, art framing and Telefare Cards for economical long distance phone service. Many students visit the shop because King also has a Western Union.

King said he is looking forward to displaying a stand on Georgia Avenue Day that will include all phases of his shop.

Metro system caters to Howard students on the go

By Ayoka Campbell
Hilltop Staff Writer

For those Howard students possessing no car and tired feet from walking on campus all day, the Metro transport system is a welcome means of getting around.

Although many students prefer Metro rail over the bus system, both systems transport students to work, shopping areas, movies and their favorite places in the Washington, D.C. area.



photo by Ayoka Campbell

U Street-Cardozo is a close station for Howard students.

For the last two and a half years, Howard students have been able to utilize two close-by metro stations: the Howard-Shaw Metro station, located one block from the Howard University Hospital, and the U Street-Cardozo Metro station, which is two blocks from the Howard Plaza Towers.

Some upperclassmen said that with a few directions and some precautions, Metro can take you almost anywhere.

"I didn't have a car yet and I wanted to go to Union Station to see a movie so bad. The Metro took me right there," said Lawanda Thomas, a junior majoring in English.

Several students admit they have taken the wrong

train before. Alysha Cassis, a junior, said she was trying to get to Pentagon City from L'Enfant Plaza and she kept taking the orange line. "I took it three times before I realized I was going the right direction, but on the wrong color train," she said. She meant to ride the blue train, which stops inside the five-story shopping mall.

The favorite Metro bus for many students is the G-2 bus that runs between Howard and Georgetown universities.

Some helpful hints for riding Metro:

Blinking lights signal that it's the train's last stop. Read maps and plot out your destination. Listen to the attendant on the intercom. Call (202) 637-7000 for specific times and directions.

Directory from the Blackburn Center. It has a listing for 27 colleges in the Washington, D.C., area.

"The directory gives students information about fares and how to get from one college campus to another. Students are always interested in going to basketball and football games on other campuses and using other libraries of other campuses," she said.

There is an attendant in each Metro rail station to assist those people riding the Metro. Bus schedules can be obtained from any Metro station or the main office, 600 5th St., N.W. Call (202) 637-7000 for directions and times for the Metro rail and bus systems.



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INTERNATIONAL

Guyanese President calls for medical help

By Gloria McField
Hilltop Staff Writer

Begging for doctors and teachers to return with him to his country, Guyanese President Dr. Cheddi Jagan addressed a large gathering at Howard University's College of Medicine last Sunday.

Jagan said that although his country could not compete with the high salary scales of the U.S., in return, Guyanese could tutor university students in "specialized" areas.

His plea was supported by Dr. Walter Hewick who, in his closing remarks, urged people in the medical community to join him later this year on a goodwill trip of doctors and nurses

who would hold workshops and give medical aid to residents.

Jagan, a Howard alumnus, was in Washington as part of a Caribbean delegation of leaders who met with President Clinton Monday to discuss cooperation between America and the Caribbean. They discussed trade, investment, development of the region, immigration and illegal drugs.

Also present at the forum were the Ambassador to Washington, Dr. Odeen Ishmael, and members of Dr. Jagan's administration who attended the meeting with Clinton.

Jagan also told his countrymen and women, that were present at his address that they

could establish foreign currency accounts in Guyana. He also mentioned that his government would soon be issuing development bonds of one hundred dollar denominations, which would be available to all Guyanese.

He also outlined one of the major problems that his government inherited from the People's National Congress on Oct. 5, 1992. Jagan said there was a total collapse of the economy. The country has the highest debt per capita in the Caribbean, he said. Jagan said social programs and services are run down and received only 8 percent of the government's expenditures last year.

Therefore, he said, the government's basic objectives were to promote economic growth, to improve human resources, to ensure

that wage rates at least keep pace with the level of inflation and to restore a decent standard of living to the Guyanese people.

So far his administration has curbed inflation, which was expected to be 9 percent but was only 2 percent at the first half of the year. Projections are that inflation will be between 5 and 6 percent by the year's end.

Jagan stressed that the government could not change the country's economy alone, but he expressed confidence in investors, especially Guyanese and other Caribbean nationals. He urged those who attended the meeting to refrain from labeling him or his government according to preconceptions but to instead judge him for his actions.

Communication is key to harmonious living

By Toni Watson
Hilltop Staff Writer

Living with someone is not always easy. We cannot assume that because everyone on "A Different World" got along with their roommates, we will do the same. It is something that requires a lot of work. For that reason, the Howard experience provides a great challenge for roommates given the rich cultural diversity in the student body.

Students coming from more than 105 countries outside of the United States bring with them differences just like students coming from the 50 states in America. Learning to live together means coming to terms with these differences. Being flexible, open and tolerant can make living much more pleasant, as these differences are sorted out.

And like Moses had the Ten Commandments, there are 10 rules to living with someone:

Rule One: Respect your roommate. This is the most important rule. The old adage, treat others as you would want to be treated, applies here.

Rule Two: Be considerate. If your roommate is studying for an important exam, don't play your stereo at full volume or encourage loud group conversations.

Rule Three: Communicate. Communication is the key to all problems. "My roommate and I never talked for the first few weeks," said Trebus Smith, a second year student majoring in engineering. "Then one day, we got into a wrestling match."

Rule Four: Be open and honest. If you aren't honest with each other, how do you expect to live with this person? The lack of openness and honesty has many times resulted in a failed living situation.

Rule Five: Don't talk about your roommate's business. If you say anything about your roommate, no matter who you talk to, it will get back to him or her.

Rule Six: Set rules. This may not always work, but some have found that if they lay the ground in the beginning, the relationship is successful. For instance, who should take out the garbage,

clean the bathroom and living room are things that need to be worked out from the beginning. House meetings can help solve this problem.

Rule Seven: Don't blow your cool. Remember that both you and your roommate are human. Discuss your problem openly before packing your bags.

Rule Eight: Don't immediately trust your roommate with your life. Trust is built in small doses. Living together does not ensure security. "My freshman year roommate and I hit it off immediately," an English major said. "But then, halfway through the semester, money started disappearing."

Rule Nine: Be easy on each other. Remember that your roommate is probably just as uncomfortable with you as you are with him or her. Unless your roommate went to boarding school, he or she is probably unfamiliar with sharing a room with someone not related.

Rule Ten: If your differences are irreconcilable, move. This living situation is does not have to be permanent.



Photo by Omowale Elson

International students office offers brand new services

By Omowale Elson
Hilltop Staff Writer

The Office of International Student Services (ISS) made some significant changes over the summer. Among these were the appointment of a new assistant director, computerization of office procedures, and the introduction of call-in appointments instead of walk-in service.

The new Assistant Director, Darryl Zeigler, served as the International Advisor and Coordinator of Visas Services at Georgetown University.

According to the International Student Newsletter, Zeigler, who brings to his current position over six years of experience in international student matters, is responsible for processing immigration and other documents for international students, staff, and faculty. Besides advising and counseling he will also assist in managing the office.

Director of the ISS, Grace Ansah, credits Zeigler with taking the initiative to help computerize office procedures.

Over the summer, the office also introduced a call-in appointment system, which effectively moves away from immediate access to an advisor, except in cases of emergency, the newsletter said. It cited as its rationale "the increasing complexity involved in immigration regulations and other demands on the office."

In addition, the ISS has made a series of informational handouts available. These handouts are specifically designed to help customers understand "increasingly complex and seemingly disadvantageous" immigration matters.

According to Zeigler, the appointment system "has been working quite well and students, faculty and staff have been quite appreciative that there is a specific time when they can come into the office and have the undivided attention of an advisor."



Kente cloth producer Fred Gobah shows how the stoles are made.

Value of kente cloth exhibited

By Omowale Elson
Hilltop Staff Writer

In his book, "How Europe Underdeveloped Africa," Guyanese historian Dr. Walter

Rodney highlighted the extent to which colonialism set back the development of the African fabric and garment industries, especially on the African west coast. This summer, the Howard community was given a chance to help revive that industry and promote its products through an exhibition, complete with production demonstrations presented by Fred Gobah, a kente cloth producer from Ghana.

So enthusiastic was the response that Gobah plans to return in February to stage a

Black History Month exhibition. He featured a wide range of kente products including sandakars, earrings, boots, belts, table mats and batakaris (a type of shirt).

"The practical demonstration of the traditional loom has been a wonderful experience for me, and also the number of people who milled around daily to see the wonderful, creative, talents of their ancestors," Gobah told The HILLTOP.

Gobah is managing director of his family's century old business, Gobah-Tebgey Seddoh's Kente Weaving Industry Limited, located in the Keta District of the Volta region.

According to Gobah, "The company has changed the traditional use of the kente as cover cloth and expanded it to belts, stoles, bags, suits, pants, window blinds, smocks, place mats and anything you can think of."

Group Meetings

Four international student organizations will hold their first meetings of the semester today at the Blackburn Center.

The Advisory Council of the International Students Association will hold its second "Surcharge Summit" in the Auditorium at 4 p.m. The council is made up of all campus international bodies.

The African Students Association will meet in Rooms 148 and 150 at 5:30 p.m. to introduce new and returning African students to their programs for this year.

The Asian Students Association will meet in the Forum at 5:30 p.m. The main item on the agenda will be a speech on immigration law by attorney Sanjiv Singh. International students, faculty and staff have been invited to attend. The meeting will cover the surcharge, and new members will be inducted.

The Caribbean Students Association will meet in the Auditorium at 5:30 p.m. The "New Generation" administration will outline its program and impending "surcharge" activity.

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HOT LOVE



By Valerie Williams
Hilltop Staff Writer

The summer of 1993 will go down in history as a summer that at least three Howard University students will never forget.

Before they met their summer loves, they spent their days in the scorching heat, drenched with sweat as the sun beat down on their backs. They spent their nights tossing and turning, fantasizing about secretive and unforgettable romances.

Once they finally succumbed to their desires and opened themselves up for adventure, they had the time of their lives.

Two of the Howardites had flings that ended when they returned to school, the other is still involved with her summer flame.

THREE MEN TRIPLED HER FUN

Nineteen-year-old Sharon Rivers* spent the early part of summer missing her boyfriend, Daniel, who was in Denver, Colorado.

"I was lonely without my boyfriend. I was constantly trying to find something or someone to fill the void," she said.

This longing for companionship was what spurred Sharon to cheat on Daniel. "Without him by my side, I felt incomplete both socially and emotionally," continued the junior Psychology major. "Therefore, I decided to look elsewhere."



Sharon found solace in not one, but three of her former lovers.

"I got tired of sitting around the house feeling sorry for myself. So, I decided to make the best of the situation and have the fun I couldn't have last year, since I was dating Daniel. The fact that I was in a relationship all year long and unable to freely meet other guys was also another reason why I deceived my man," she said. "I figured, since I'm gonna cheat, I might as well do it right. Triple it!"

Sharon admits to all night partying and playing when she hooked up with

her former lovers.

Dating three men at once made her summer go by faster, but it also complicated things because each man thought he was her one and only.

"Sometimes, I had to lie to Eric and tell him I was busy, when I was really going out with Mike. One day, I went out with all three; I was so tired when I got home that I fell asleep in my clothes," she jokingly remembered.

However, Sharon soon realized that Daniel was irreplaceable and unforgettable.

"Even though I had a ball hanging out with Eric, Mike and Todd, I still missed Daniel; no one was able to take his place. Fooling around with my ex-boyfriends was an attempt to make me forget how much I missed my boyfriend. I guess, in a sense, I used them to satisfy myself and now that I think about it, what I did was very selfish, because I didn't consider their feelings. But, I have no regrets," she said, shrugging her shoulders and raising her left eyebrow.

Sharon has no intentions of telling Daniel about what happened this summer. She is convinced that what he doesn't know won't hurt him.

"I feel no sense of

guilt for what I did because I believe that every man cheats. I'll never know if he cheated on me or not but the possibility is what gave me the energy to do what I did," Sharon concluded.

A COLORSTRUCK SISTER

Jasmine Brown* would much rather forget her summer involvement with Cedric, a white co-worker.

"When I look back on the situation, I just want to throw-up. When I see white people, I want to throw-up. Each white person that I see is a reminder of

what I did. If I could go back in time, I wouldn't have even kissed him," she said with a face that eeked with disgust.

Jasmine spent her summer vacation with relatives in Miami, Florida.



She worked as a lifeguard at a neighborhood swimming pool. She did not meet a lot of black guys in Miami who interested her. So, when Cedric asked her out on a date, she reluctantly said "yes".

"Initially, when I first saw him, I thought he was cute, at least for a white guy. But I never really had any intentions of dating him, much less sleeping with him. But, he kept bothering me about going out. It was hot and I was bored. I just wanted some male company to kill the time. I dated him, not because I really liked him, but because he was convenient," the twenty-year-old continued. "Plus, he didn't mind spending money on me."

Jasmine thought Cedric would be satisfied with just dating every now and then. Instead, he demanded more and more of her time and energy.

"He thought he was my boyfriend, just because we went out on a few dates. He would actually get jealous when guys flirted with me at the pool. Then he got real insecure and started tripping over the fact that I was black and he was white."

Jasmine admitted that at times she questioned whether she had "jungle fever."

"Sometimes I would think to

myself, 'I can't believe I'm dating a white guy. What is wrong with me? What am I going through?' I finally came to the conclusion that nothing was wrong with me. I was just satisfying my curiosity about a lot of the myths associated with white guys, and all of them, I mean all of them, turned out to be true," she said emphatically, sadly shaking her head from side to side.

THE OTHER WOMAN

When Monique Taylor* first met Julian, she did not care that he had been married for nearly four years or even that he had three kids. She was merely doing her best friend a favor by going out with him as part of a double date.

"I thought Julian was cute when I first saw him and I was attracted to him, but I didn't really think anything of it. I've dated a married man before so I kinda knew what I might be getting into," the twenty-one-year-old communications law major said.

Julian, 23, immediately fell for Monique.

"He started sending me flowers, buying me cards and writing me poetry. Julian's the most romantic guy I've ever dated. With him, chivalry is not dead, he opens doors for me and everything. He's definitely a true gentleman," she elaborated.

Monique had no idea that she and Julian would still be dating once she returned to school, especially since he lives in Los Angeles, California.

"At the beginning, I figured that my affair with Julian was just a summer thing. I thought, maybe, when I come home for Thanksgiving and Christmas, I'll go see him. I never expected us to last so long, especially so far away, because long distance relationships have never worked for me," she said.

But, it has been nearly a month since Monique and Julian have been in each other's presence and sparks are still flying high for them. But, things

are not as peachy for Julian and his wife. Julian has filed for divorce and has moved back home to live with his



mother. Monique says she's not the cause of her boyfriend's marital problems.

"I don't have anything to do with the initial failure of their marriage. They have remained married out of convenience and for the kids' sake. But, I don't feel guilty at all because things happen and you can't help who you fall in love with," Monique added.

WHAT'S THE SUN GOT TO DO WITH IT?

Is there any connection between the heat and falling in love?

Dr. Thomas Wessel, a psychologist and Associate Director of The University Counseling Service located in the School of Communications, says that summer flings are similar to island vacations in the sense that people who go on vacations are often looking for a "good time".

"It is common for people to get involved in short-term flings when they are away during summer break, knowing that it is just a fling and that it's not going anywhere," he said.

Dr. Wessel said that varying degrees of sunlight affects one's mood. He added that distance should not really be a factor in summer romances, but that it does, somehow, have a psychological affect on people.

Did distance really have a psychological effect on Sharon, Jasmine and Monique or were they enticed by the heat? You decide.

*Names have been changed.

A word to the wise:

SISTERS: BE CAREFUL GIRLFRIEND

To most upperclassmen, you symbolize "fresh meat" and new, unconquered territory. Beware of sweet talkers, frat brothers and especially fifth and sixth year seniors. Howard men have a way with words, and an innocent, naive freshman can easily fall prey to the many games these "boys" play.

Also, watch out for the brother who is on the rebound - chances are you will just be used. WHAT YOUR MOTHER SAID STILL STANDS: "Beware of guys who want to wine and dine you even though you just met. Don't go out on dates or get in cars with guys you barely know." Nuff said. You know the rest...

BROTHERS: IT'S SAD BUT TRUE

If you are a freshman, don't even think about trying to get with an upperclasswoman, unless you're extremely gorgeous, well-off, well-dressed or own a nice car. Frankly speaking, most Howard women aren't trying to get with a brother who has very little to offer; it's sad, but true. And don't count on dating freshman girls either because they will be too busy drooling over upperclassmen. If you are already dating a freshman, consider yourself lucky. Most of them won't pay you any attention until next semester.

Finally, beware of the woman who is all too eager to be taken to dinner and a movie; she might be more interested in your wallet than you.

MEMORIES OF THE MARCH

HAPPENINGS THAT LED TO THE MARCH

"I spent just as much time doing Civil Rights as I did doing my school work. I once spent a week in jail in Jackson, Miss, because I went to a white Methodist church.

"It was 1963 and that was the hype of the Southern movement. It was still very, very dangerous trying to get the right to vote and very tough for Civil Rights organizers in the South. We were shot at, beaten and sometimes burned and so forth, when we tried to get blacks registered. And we felt that we needed to make a national statement. That is, go to Washington and plead our case before the president and Congress."

THE MARCH

"It was a wonderful time to have been there. ...I always say that through an accident in history, I was very fortunate to have been the age I

was, the race I was, living in the place I was, at that time in history. It was a great, great time to have been a part of an important social movement.

"Here before, there had never been this large number of people who had rallied together for Civil Rights. And we didn't know how many people were coming. We actually underestimated how many people were coming to the march.

"We drew people from all over the world. Blacks came all the way from Paris. I saw James Baldwin and Josephine Baker, who both came from Paris. African dignitaries were at the march. There were old people, young people, white people, black people. There was really a rainbow of people. They started coming early in the morning and they just kept on coming..."

compiled by Ayoka Campbell



Dr. Joyce Ladner, Vice-President
for Academic Affairs

As a 19-year old college student, Dr. Ladner worked at the National March on Washington headquarters in Harlem, N.Y., recruiting poor black Americans to participate in the 1963 march.

PEOPLE

Black journalists mourn death of pioneer, legend

Oakland Tribune owner/publisher inspired more than just news

By Milana J. Campbell
Hilltop Staff Writer

He had an unforgettable face - bright and cheerful, his smile leaped from ear to ear. His eyes revealed a boyish innocence. The man behind the face was no less remarkable.

Robert C. Maynard, former owner and publisher of the Oakland Tribune and the first African-American to own a daily general-circulation newspaper in the United States, died after a six year battle with prostate cancer on Tuesday, Aug. 17.

Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., Maynard's interest in journalism was sparked when, as a young boy, he wrote an essay on the new wave of immigration taking place in his neighborhood.

At the age of 16, he dropped out of high school to work for The New York Age, a now defunct black weekly. At 19, he moved to Greenwich Village and studied under great writers such as James Baldwin and Langston Hughes.

The son of an immigrant from Barbados and the youngest of six children, Maynard did not want other teen-agers to follow in his footsteps by dropping out of school.

"I say to young people today that they must stay in school; school today is imperative," he said in a previous interview.

Maynard achieved great success even though his formal education was limited. He pulled himself up by his bootstraps to become one of the most influential black journalists in America.

In 1979, Maynard bought the Oakland Tribune in the first management-leveraged buyout in U.S. newspaper history. After assuming the positions of editor and president, he turned the newspaper, which had once been labeled one of the worst newspapers in the United States, into one known for its editorial excellence and Pulitzer Prize-winning photography.

Maynard and his wife, Nancy Hicks-Maynard, co-founded the Institute for Journalism Education at Columbia University in New York. The IJE, now based in Oakland, Calif., was founded with the intention of expanding opportunities for minority journalists. Many IJE graduates are

living success stories as a result of the inspiring program. Hundreds of them have gone on to work for major newsrooms across the nation. Maynard remained a mentor to both old and new graduates.

Always aiming for diversity and equal representation of blacks in journalism, Maynard persisted in getting more minorities into management positions in American newspapers. He is known for urging the American Society of Newspaper Editors to make it policy to diversify the nation's newsrooms by the end of this century. A steadfast man, Maynard never stopped working toward his goal.

In May during his last public address, Maynard made clear to college students at The Freedom Forum in Arlington, Va., his goal of delivering the truth in a manner that is both non-mainstream and straightforward.

"This country cannot be the country we want it to be if its story is told by only one group of citizens. Our goal is to give all Americans front door access to the truth," Maynard said.

Benjamin C. Bradlee, a Washington Post staff writer, remembers what it was like working with Maynard.

"Bob was always as much a teacher as a reporter. He knew that the mass media did not portray minority Americans authentically. He knew they were portrayed as less intelligent, less patriotic, less committed to a work ethic - indeed, lesser human beings than white Americans," said Bradlee, in the Aug. 19, 1993 issue of The Washington Post.

A young student reporter who was frustrated while trying to write a story came to Maynard one day for guidance. Maynard inspired the budding journalist to persevere by stating, "There's no such thing as can't." Maynard proved that philosophy to be true during the course of his life.

Maynard is survived by his wife, Nancy Hicks-Maynard; two sons, David Maynard and Alex Maynard; daughter Dori Maynard; and four brothers and sisters. Maynard's wisdom, wit and writing will not be forgotten.



Vital Statistics

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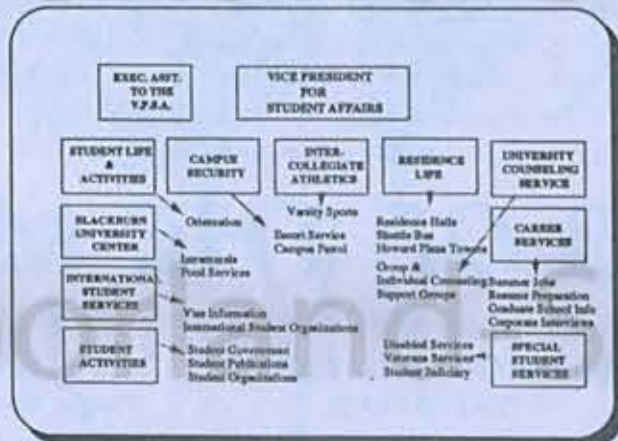
Place of Birth: Brooklyn, N.Y.

Accomplishments: First African-American owner and publisher of a main-stream daily newspaper
Co-founder of the Institute for Journalism Education

Words of Wisdom: "There's no such thing as can't"

WELCOME TO NEW AND RETURNING STUDENTS!!

On behalf of the Division of Student Affairs, I am pleased to have this opportunity to greet you. You are invited to utilize the many services offered by our Division. For your information, some of these services are listed below:



UPDATES

1. The University continues to make progress in upgrading and enhancing its facilities. With this progress has come inconvenience for some students, for which WE SINCERELY APOLOGIZE. For example, repairs, painting and improvements in the residence halls have required changes in the student assignment pattern. With the closing of Truth and Crandall Halls for upcoming renovations and with a larger freshman class, 200 new students were assigned to other buildings and a small group of continuing students had to be re-assigned. Some of the recent and scheduled improvements are as follows:

REPAIRS AND RENOVATIONS

As the University invests millions of dollars to upgrade its facilities, we seek everyone's assistance in keeping them in good condition. This will help keep future rate increases low and deploy funds for other needed projects. The following is a PARTIAL LISTING OF WORK COMPLETED THIS SUMMER:

BETHUNE HALL - Plastering and painting of 60 rooms, installation of 200 window shades, and painting of two elevators and 50 room doors.
CARVER HALL - Painting of hallways and 183 rooms, repair of some bathrooms and replacement of damaged floor tiles.
COOK HALL - Painting of entire building, repair of security system, and repair of broken doors and several other items.
DREW HALL - Plastering and painting of 121 rooms, replacement of broken windows and removal of graffiti in hallways and bathrooms.
ETON TOWERS - Plastering and painting of hallways and 77 rooms, replacement of floor tile in 42 rooms, repair of 36 bathrooms, installation of new carpeting in all hallways, replacement of concrete driveway and walkway, and replacement of several smoke detectors.
MERIDIAN HILL HALL - Painting and plastering of 167 rooms and repair of nine bathrooms.

PARK SQUARE - Plastering and painting of hallways and 35 rooms, replacement of broken glass and repair of 35 bathrooms.
SLOWE HALL - Plastering and painting of 100 rooms, replacement of ceiling tile in 57 rooms, replacement of 150 window shades and 50 smoke detectors and repair of 11 bathrooms/showers.
SUTTON PLAZA - Plastering and painting of hallways and 62 rooms, repair of floor tile in 59 rooms, replacement of 103 windows blinds, 48 smoke detectors, 17 kitchen cabinet doors and 10 apartment doors and repair of 34 bathrooms.
TUBMAN QUADRANGLE - Plastering and painting of hallways and 80 rooms.

UPCOMING RENOVATION WORK scheduled in the residence halls includes:

CARVER HALL

Window replacement
Plumb'g and shower upgrade
New HVAC system
Roof replacement
Electrical upgrade

TRUTH AND CRANDALL HALLS

Roof repair/ Replacement
New HVAC system
Electrical upgrade
Upgrade for disabled access
New bathrooms

MERIDIAN HILL HALL

Window replacement
New HVAC system
Plumb'g and bathroom upgrade
Upgrade for disabled access

DREW HALL

Roof replacement
New security system
Renovation of lobby area

2. The Tuition Surcharge for international students, MANDATED BY THE U.S. CONGRESS, continues to be a serious concern for the University. With bleak economic times in many countries and unfavorable rates of monetary exchange, the 50% surcharge poses a serious obstacle for international students who want to attend Howard. This is a concern for all of us - U.S. citizens and others alike - both because the surcharge limits educational opportunities for international students (especially from Africa and the Diaspora) and because the cosmopolitan nature of our campus suffers when fewer international students are enrolled. The University will continue to advocate the repeal of the surcharge.

3. I seek the cooperation and assistance of all students, faculty and staff in enhancing safety and security on and around the campus and all of our facilities. We have a large security force, but all of us have an important role to play by: staying alert, reporting suspicious persons and activity, locking our rooms, offices and cars, avoiding high-risk behaviors and places, etc. The Student Escort Service, based at the library, is available during evening hours to escort persons to main campus residence halls, the shuttle bus stop, parking lots and other campus locations.

We express our appreciation and thanks to Physical Facilities Management for its work in enhancing our residence halls and the quality of student life and to the President and the Vice President for Business and Fiscal Affairs for making the funds available. We thank ALL of the university offices and personnel who assisted in making these improvements possible. We look forward to working with student government, student leaders, student groups, faculty and staff to CONTINUE MAKING HOWARD UNIVERSITY THE VERY BEST. LET'S HAVE A GREAT YEAR!

Sincerely,
Dr. Steve A. Favors
Vice President For Student Affairs



Jack Slater (Arnold Schwarzenegger) thwarts the enemy in summer action thriller "Last Action Hero".

By Khari Wyatt
Hilltop Staff Writer

"Jurassic Park," "In the Line of Fire" and "Last Action Hero" were just a few of the summer's blockbuster films

Rounding out a summer of sizzlers

that filled the big screen with sizzling computerized special effects, renowned directors and major movie stars.

Dinosaur antics made this summer's highest grossing film, "Jurassic Park," the action-thriller of the season, setting a record \$50 million during its opening weekend.

In this visual recreation of Michael Crichton's tale of a dinosaur theme park in the Philippines, director Steven Spielberg combines eye-popping special effects with his trademark dose of wonderment. Also, Spielberg emphasizes the effects of man's greedy and meddling nature.

When making this film, which uses computer generated life-like dinosaurs, Spielberg and Universal Studios "spared no expense" in giving

"Jurassic Park" its realistic bite. And once the action begins, Spielberg maintains a fast pace with high-octane chases that speed the film to the ending while keeping viewers on the edge of their seats.

Although "Jurassic Park" has many fine acting performances, the theme park, the exotic island locations and the excitement generated by intelligent dinosaurs are the major highlights.

A far cry from the plush islands of "Jurassic Park" is the urban street setting of "In the Line of Fire." But while the story line and characters are drastically different, the action-packed adventure remains.

Clint Eastwood stars as Frank Horrigan, a veteran Secret Service agent tormented by his failure to prevent President Kennedy's assassination. This is compounded by the actions of a psychologically disturbed caller who will not let Horrigan forget Kennedy's death.

The deranged caller is Mitch Leary (John Malkovich), a former CIA

operative plotting to kill the current president. Leary manages to get the best of Horrigan during games of phone tag that escalate to dangerous roof top chases.

It isn't long before government heads start doubting Horrigan's ability. Leary tortures Horrigan with his elusive methods and eventually costs him his assignment on the presidential protection team. Consequently, Horrigan takes matters into his own hands and goes head to head against Leary.

Director Wolfgang Peterson uses a variety of video techniques to effectively create the mass confusion that leads the film to its grand finale, a life or death battle between Leary and Horrigan.

But unlike "Jurassic Park" and "In the Line of Fire," Arnold Schwarzenegger's "Last Action Hero" provides none of the chilling action that captivates summer audiences. In fact, "Last Action Hero" is a satirical comedy. The special effects are the only elements that capture the audience's attention.

The Columbia Pictures release spotlights Schwarzenegger as action movie star Jack Slater. Slater is a good guy who has survived bullets, overcome explosions and single-handedly defeated dozens of thugs. Slater's heroic prowess excites and influences young Danny Madigan (Austin O'Brien).

Danny, an unhappy 11-year-old, escapes to the fantasy world of the movies where Jack is his role model. Danny's fantasy adventures are led by Nick (Robert Prosky), a movie projectionist who indulges Danny in around-the-clock films. Eventually, Nick bestows the magic ticket to Danny, allowing him entrance into the movie life of Jack Slater.

Although "Last Action Hero" dazzles the eye with superior photography, the film does nothing for the brain. The action coupled with superb visual technology in "Jurassic Park" and "In the Line of Fire" leaves the audience with a sense of fulfillment, but "Last Action Hero" receives a last place summer ranking.

Museum allows travel to Africa in matter of minutes

By Michael Browne
Hilltop Staff Writer

The National Museum of African Art, located between the U.S. Capitol and the National Monument, is D.C.'s link to sub-Saharan African heritage and culture. The museum's six underground exhibits recreate African history by relating African art to the earlier lifestyles of the vast region's native people.

Congress added the museum, originally called the Museum of African Art, to the Smithsonian Institution in 1979. The name change took place in 1981.

Each of the museum's exhibits incorporates a specific theme associated with the sub-Saharan collections. For example, "Purpose and Perfection"

highlights pottery and the woman's presence in Central Africa.

Visitors will notice immediately the hand-made drinking vessels made by women from Congo and Zaire. The early twentieth-century water bottles and bowls are decorated with impressive designs made from sharp tools and combs, while others possess molded smooth surfaces. Most of the bottles boast slender necks and wide bodies. The exhibit also details the crafting process with a film, "The Hands of a Potter."

In addition to the vessels found in the "Purpose and Perfection" exhibit, museum guests will enjoy viewing the customary objects from "Images of Power and Identity," includ-

ing canes, hats, pipes and masks. A palace door depicting the life of a Yoruba ruler, large head-dresses discouraging inappropriate behavior, and life-size Cameroon figurines promoting respect and honor only identify a few of the African artifacts this exhibit showcases.

Another exhibit, "The Art of the Personal Object," explores the relationship between the material possessions of African people and their social status. Visitors who see the different sized headrests and stools will notice the concave shaped sculptures. Yet, each piece's

individual style and imagery ultimately grasps the eye.

Shifting from the household objects located in "The Art of the Personal Object," the presence of mid-17th century

power and the wealth of the kingdom of Benin is felt in the "Royal Benin Art" exhibit. This exhibit features the works of royal artists from the kingdom of Benin, which is present day Nigeria.

Identified by their horsetailed helmets, the fascinating plaque statues made from cast copper signify power, and

the royal swords, weaponry and armor mark the wealthiness of the kingdom of Benin.

The museum complements the five permanent exhibits with a temporary display of a particular artifact or a group of items found in one of the galleries. "Dreaming the Other World," currently the temporary exhibit, focuses on Baule art and its connection with the spiritual world.

According to Baule tradition, "blolo" is the spirit world or referred to as the "Otherworld" where life exists before birth and after death. The people of the Baule region, centered in Cote d'Ivoire, artistically carve "Otherworld" men and women figures to represent their mates in the "blolo" world are

different from Baule human spouses and are usually blamed for marital, sexual and childbearing problems within a Baule marriage. The wooden "Other World" figures, standing approximately 12 inches high, with elongated necks and emphasized heads, depict the Baule's image of his or her spirit mate.

The National Museum of African Art is a good weekend escape. The museum will take you from the Mall to the continent of Africa in a matter of minutes. The HILLTOP invites all individuals to the National Museum of African Art for a closer understanding of African ancestry.

For information, call (202) 357-1729. To schedule tours, call (202) 357-4600.



Figure of an Otherworld woman -Baule Peoples

Dunkin Donuts offers a myriad of sweet alternatives

By Michael Browne
Hilltop Staff Writer

For all Howard students tired of eating at Wonder Plaza eateries, Georgia Avenue carry-outs, the cafeteria or any of the numerous vendors, the University's Dining Services offers a convenient alternative.

Located inside the Administration Building is a small Dunkin Donuts stand, which will interest all donut lovers and those who just do not feel like going very far off campus to get something to eat.

The booth is open Monday thru Friday, from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. and carries twists, honey dipped donuts, coffee rolls, chocolate frosted donuts, croissants, bagels and the ever so tasty jelly donut. The regular sized donuts cost 69

cents and the larger Fancies run about \$1.25.

The stand stocked only coffee and donuts until regular customers asked for other food and drink items. Immediately after the shop opened in the summer, Dining Services Director Ted Foy received requests from patrons who wanted more than just donuts.

In response to the recommendations, Dining Services added Jamaican beef patties, an assortment of Otis Spunkmeyer cookies, sodas and a variety of fruit juices to the menu.

Students need not worry about purchasing stale or old donuts. Marvin Johnson, Howard Dunkin Donut cashier, insisted that "the stand only serves fresh baked donuts and pastries, replenished daily." Every morning an independent Dunkin Donut franchiser

restocks the racks with newly made donuts.

In addition to food quality, customers attribute their patronage to the Dunkin Donuts' location.

"[The stand] helps out because I do not have to walk way down Georgia Avenue or take a chance by eating dated food from a vendor," said Kisha Shorter, a junior and connoisseur of cream-filled donuts. The University restricts employees located in the Administration Building from leaving the building except during their lunch hour. Lillian Drumgold, an admissions assistant, said, "The stand gives Administration employees the opportunity to grab a cup of coffee before their scheduled break."

Foy said the Administration Building was selected to house the

stand because no food services were present inside the office building. He said the University is trying to increase the number of eating outlets for students in order to keep them off Georgia Avenue and on campus. However, Foy said he is not openly inviting University outsiders to dine on campus.

The arrival of Dunkin Donuts represents only one of the additions the University is making to provide better food services for its students and faculty. Other improvements include various Punch Out renovations.

Currently, the Punch Out is undergoing drastic changes involving new light fixtures, smoother floors and remodeled ceilings. A 60-inch television and two smaller 30-inch models will accompany the restaurant's new improvements. Rawn Burnett, director

of Cash Operations, declined to release the remodeling cost but did expect the renovations to be complete during the early part of the fall semester.

In the spring, students can look forward to Pizza Hut

Carry-out/Delivery and Sunday jazz nights in the Punch Out. According to Burnett, Pizza Hut will provide training for Dining Services employees. Therefore, students will be able to observe Howard employees making Pizza Hut pizzas before their very eyes.

Also in the spring Burnett plans to make the Punch Out a seven day operation. "Fortunately, the longer hours will create more jobs for students," Burnett said. "This way the University can give back something to the students."

The HILLTOP would like to present a new weekly advice column. We are accepting all letters addressed to Sweet-n-Sour (two very fly ladies at Howard). Write in and tell us your problems, and we will give you the best advice we can. Don't reveal your name just give us some type of alias (in good taste). Due to the influx of letters we won't be able to answer them all so strive for originality and you'll see your letter in the next issue of The HILLTOP. Any questions we can't answer will be referred to a certified social worker. All opinions expressed do not reflect the views of The HILLTOP.

To hear what Sweet-n-Sour have to say about your dilemma, write a letter. You can either mail it or personally drop it off at 2251 Sherman Ave., N.W. If you are too lazy to come to the Towers, go to room 117 in Blackburn (Student Activities Office) and put it in The HILLTOP mail box.

-Pulse Editor

Sweet - n - Sour

Dear Sweet-n-Sour,

I am a senior in the School of Education. Last year, I started seeing this guy who was in the School of Business. He never actually committed to me, and I was never certain where I stood with him. He would visit me all the time and when we were alone, it seemed like he really cared about me. I fell in love with him, and then I realized he was seeing several other women on campus. Now he has graduated and he's working on Wall Street.

That's what he always wanted to do, and he says he is focusing on his career now and nothing else. He still calls me so I feel like I should wait for him to finish what he needs to do. Would you advise that or should I leave him alone? He's never done anything for me, but I love him still and I think he cares for me.

Still Waiting

Dear Still Waiting,

Good things come to those who wait, so be patient and eventually he will come around. It is good that you two still communicate, and for that reason your relation-

ship can only grow. Since you feel that he's never done anything for you, it wouldn't be a bad idea to start dating other men. From what you told me, I don't think he's in New York working around the clock. You should ask him where your relationship stands, and if you don't like the answer he gives, then you should seriously think about moving on.

-Sweet

Dear Still Waiting,

You have a serious problem girlfriend. Not with him, but with yourself. Sweet's not stable anyway. You've been patient enough. Why should

you sit around waiting for someone who has done NOTHING for you? If he didn't stay faithful to you when he was here with you, do you really think he's thinking about you now? Obviously you have a lot going for you if you are even trying to get a college education. So get a life and move on sister. If he wants to waste his phone bill calling you, let him, and try to keep him on the line so his phone bill is even higher. That way, you will get something out of the deal.

-Sour

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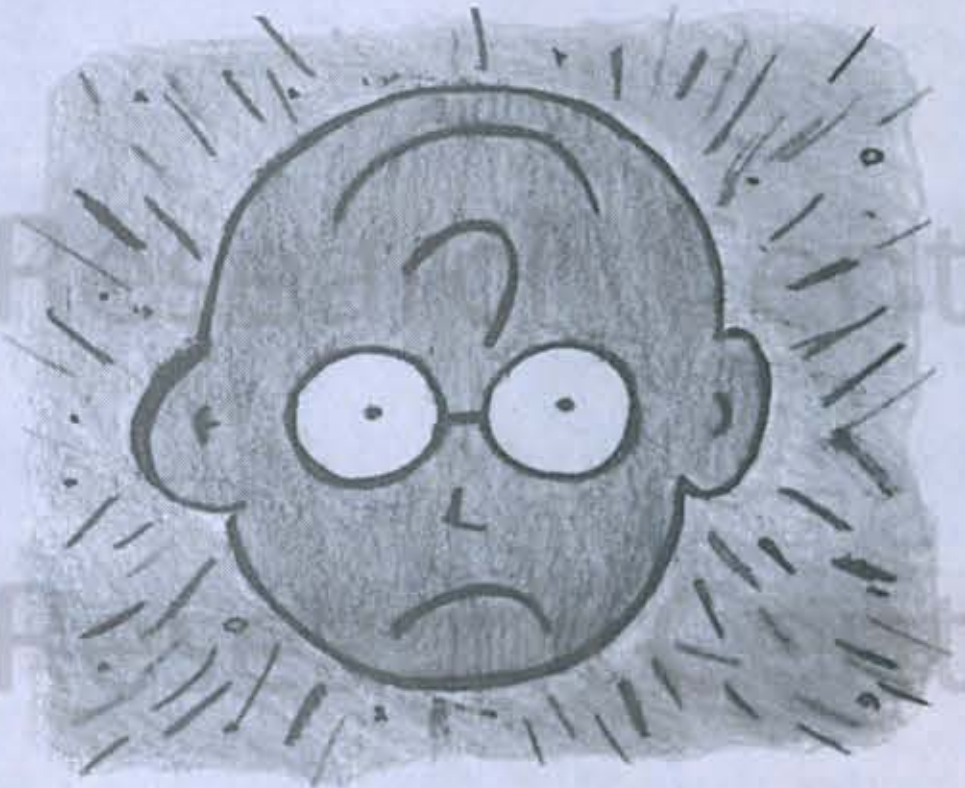
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Matthew Uzukwu's novel **ACROSS CULTURES** (FELI PUBLISHING; August 15, 1993; Paperback original) is a moving and gripping narrative on a familiar subject - romantic relationships and martial unions. His story in **ACROSS CULTURES** which revolves around a romantic / marital union across cultures, one American and the other African, is rarely told.

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Across Cultures



ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Matthew Uzukwu attended Washington State University and Howard University. He holds a master of business administration degree from the Howard University Graduate School of Business Administration. He has worked in private business and in government, and currently resides in the Washington D.C. area.

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SPORTS

Bison set sights on winning football season

By Monica M. Lewis
Hilltop Staff Writer

Two years ago they were just 2-9. Last season, they improved their record to 7-4. This year they are back, and according to Head Football Coach Steve Wilson, they are looking forward to a "big year." "Hopefully, we'll stay healthy enough to live up to our expectations," Wilson said.

The Bison will open their 99th season against Division II Virginia Union tomorrow at Greene Stadium. Kick-off is scheduled for 1 p.m.

Since early August, the Bison have been preparing for a season that experts and football fans

think will see Coach Wilson's team vie for a chance to come out on top in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference.

"We would like to challenge for a conference championship," said Wilson, who begins his fifth year as head coach of the Bison squad. With 10 offensive and nine defensive starters returning, Wilson and his coaching staff feel the team has the experience and talent to win the MEAC.

Last season marked the end of the collegiate career of Bison strong safety Tim Watson. Watson, who was drafted by the Green Bay Packers last spring but was later dropped, is currently on the Cleveland Browns' roster. Other key players lost to

graduation include Nigel Greene, Robert Carpenter, Michael Caswell and Cedric Rawls. Wilson said the loss of these players hurts, but in college football one should be prepared to lose people each year.

"Through recruitment and the development of young talent, you're preparing to let people play and that gives a team experience and depth," he said.

Among the returning players expected to make an impact are seniors quarterback Jay "Sky" Walker, wide receiver Gary "Flea" Harrell, safety Neal Downing, cornerback LaJeremy Adamson and defensive tackle Aaron Kinchen.

Defensively, the Bison have

tremendous pressure from the inside and the size and speed to play well upfront. Other notable defensive players include freshman Derrick Twitty, junior Jose White and seniors Sheku Alieu and Steve Howard.

While Wilson does not want his team to be known simply for its dynamic offensive skills, it is hard not to notice just how explosive an offense the team has. Last season, Walker completed 154 of 312 passes, while racking up 2,347 yards and 18 touchdowns. This year his targets will include seniors Harrell, who is 48 receptions shy of breaking a school record, Terrill Hill, Andre Johnson, and juniors Abjul Martin and James

Cunningham.

In order to do well this season, Wilson plans to have his team improve in all areas, especially special teams because of the loss of Rawls.

"We want to put a lot of emphasis on punting and kicking," said Wilson. Freshmen Ruben Ruiz and Jason Decuir take over at punting and place kicking, respectively.

Wilson also said that he wants his team to do a better job in forcing and recovering turnovers. Last year the Bison led the Nation in forcing turn-overs among all Division I-A and AA schools.

Wilson listed North Carolina A&T, Delaware State, South

Carolina State and Florida A&M as good, tough MEAC teams sure to give the Bison a run for their money.

In late October, the Bison will square off against their non-conference nemesis, the Tigers of Morehouse College, in the highly touted Homecoming game. Morehouse, a Division II team, beat the Bison last September in Atlanta 7-0. The game will be held at Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Stadium.

"We're always pumped for a Homecoming game," Wilson said. "But, when it comes time to play Morehouse, we'll be ready because we certainly weren't ready last year."

Lady Spikers open season with weekend tournament

By Monica Lewis
Hilltop Staff Writer

Coming off a 1992 season that had its share of ups and downs, Head Volleyball Coach Linda Spencer and her team are gearing up for a new season full of great expectations.

The Lady Spikers are currently taking part in the Washington Metro Challenge Volleyball Tournament. At the Tournament, which is being held at George Washington University, the Lady Spikers will face every Division I team in the metropolitan area, with the exception of American University.

This year, the team will have the opportunity to participate in the National Collegiate Athletic Association's Post-Season Volleyball Tournament.

"Since we get a play-in bid this year, I'm expecting us to go all the way," said Spencer. She added that this is only a prediction and she will have to wait until mid-season to see how much progress her team has made.

Spencer starts the new season with five lettermen from her 1992 squad lost to graduation, including Michelle Simmons. Simmons earned all-Tournament status for her performance during last November's Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference Championship.

However, Coach Spencer said she is sure to get the experience necessary for a successful season from returning players, such as junior setter Breshawn Harris, a 1992 all-MEAC candidate from Phoenix, Ariz.; veteran middle-blocker Raquan Washington from Miami, Fla.; and sophomore Jami Smith of Southern, Calif.

"Jami got a lot of playing time last year because she wanted it badly," said Spencer.



Head volleyball coach Linda Spencer

Spencer went on to say that Smith has a good serve.

With six new players, including four freshmen, a junior-college transfer and a walk-on, Coach Spencer is not sure how their playing style will affect the team.

"My junior-college transfer, LaMetrica Johnson, has had some college volleyball experi-

ence, but as for the freshmen, you never know until they play that first second of college ball," said Spencer. "However," continued Spencer, "they all come from very good programs, so I'm expecting a lot of them."

Spencer said that her new players will have to get used to her system of play, which consists of a variety of plays.

"Last year, we ran about 18 plays, but I don't think that I can just push all those plays on six new people," remarked Spencer. She is considering whether or not to modify her system for now by using three or four plays and some basic hits that all volleyball players are familiar with.

"I think that they (the new players) will be quick learners," said Spencer.

New players include junior college-transfer Johnson; freshmen Carla Ellis and Ericka Rockwood, both of Las Vegas; Shannyn Hollie of San Bruno, Calif.; and Brittney Hughes of Altadena, Calif. Ellis, Hughes and Rockwood are all considered to be strong hitters, while Hollie has been touted as a quick defensive player. Sophomore Melissa Young, a walk-on and also a member of the Lady Bison basketball squad, has been conditioning with the team since mid-August.

1993 Bison Football Schedule

Septembet 4-Virginia Union at Howard

September 11-Open

September 18-Winston-Salem at Howard

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October 2-Florida A&M at Howard

October 9-Howard vs Bethune-Cookman

October 16-Howard vs Towson State

October 23-Howard vs North Carolina A&T

October 30-Morehouse at Howard (Homecoming at R.F.K Stadium)

November 6-South Carolina State at Howard

November 13-Howard vs Morgan State

November 20-Howard vs Delaware State

All home games begin at 1:00 p.m.

Intramurals spell a new kind of competition

By Monica M. Lewis
Hilltop Staff Writer

This week marks the beginning of yet another fun-filled, action-packed year for the Howard University Intramural/Recreation Program.

Acting Assistant Director for Recreation Samuel Atta, who has held the position for more than a year, believes that many members of the Howard family can benefit from the intramural program.

"The benefits are numerous," Atta said. "Intramurals offer people a chance to exercise, socialize and relax."

Those who participate are also provided with the opportunity to show a bit of their com-

petitive nature. "As humans, we all have a competitive edge and, through intramurals, one can compete in a variety of sports," Atta said.

Those sports include men's and women's flag football, lacrosse, basketball, bowling, swimming, soccer, racquetball, tennis and badminton. H.I.P. participants also have access to the Burr Gymnasium weight room, which is equipped with a Nautilus system. The equipment gives a balanced work-out which, according to Atta, is very important for cardiovascular endurance.

Along with the satisfaction of showing off one's athletic ability, intramural participants are often awarded for

their performances.

"Normally, our prizes include trophies, plaques and medals," Atta said. T-shirts, hats, sneakers and squeeze bottles are also awarded. "Through the kind generosity of sponsors like General Motors, Shick razors and Reebok, we are able to give away items as incentives for our players."

In addition to competing against one another, H.I.P. participants compete against students from Georgetown, American and George Mason universities.

"People feel that they have to be a member of an NCAA team to play against different schools, but that's not true," Atta said. "Through our Extra-

murals Program, students can play against numerous other colleges and universities."

Atta encourages anyone who is unsure of his or her ability in playing a sport to give intramurals a try.

"We have a various caliber of athletes, from the top-notch, varsity material to the true novice," Atta said. "So skill level should not hinder anyone interested in playing on an intramural team. ... Come on aboard for the simple reason that our main interest is to have fun and relax."

For information on the Howard University Intramural/Recreation Program, contact Mr. Samuel Atta at 806-5390 or 806-7226, or visit him in room LL-33 in the Armour J.



MEAC Hall of Famer Sandra Norell-Thomas

*The Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference recently held its annual Hall of Fame inductions. Bison inductees included Sandra Norell-Thomas, Larry Spriggs and Leo Miles.

Norell-Thomas, who was very instrumental in the formation of the MEAC, served as Howard's first full-time associate athletic director from 1971-1986. Currently, she is executive assistant to the vice-presi-

BISON BITS...

dent of Student Affairs..

A former member of the Bison basketball team and Player of the Year, Larry Spriggs helped lead the team to its first ever NCAA Tournament in the early 1980s. Spriggs went on to a career in the National Basketball Association, which included stints with the Houston Rockets and the World Champion Los Angeles Lakers..

From 1972 - 1986, Leo Miles served as director of athletics at Howard University. During his tenure, Howard won its first MEAC All-Sports Award in 1972 and the national soccer championship in 1974. Miles is currently serving as supervisor of National Football League officials.

*Bison linebacker Jose White, safe-

ty Neal Downing, wide receiver Gary "Flea" Harrell and quarterback Jay "Sky" Walker were all named to the pre-season all-MEAC.

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Larry Spriggs during his Bison playing years

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The Alpha Sweetheart Court to Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., Beta Chapter will be having its first general body meeting of this academic year on Tue., Sept. 7 at 6:00 pm in the Tubman Quadrangle, Baldwin Hall Lounge. All members are encouraged to attend.

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PERSONALS

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Happy Belated Birthday to Otis Johnson (Aug. 30) from your Blue & White Brother of P/R.

SCOONEY

The Ladies of Alpha Phi Chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho, Sorority, Inc. would like to wish new and returning students **Good Luck!** in the coming year.

Love, Peace, and Happiness to all in the fall. Bashaan

I'd like to give a **WHAZ UP** to my man Larry in Cali. Bashaan

GG ANGELS- Thanks for remembering. You all make V

street so nice to come home to. I love you all. Now bring on the exterminator. - **Birthday Angel**
Dear Sour, This year we're going to challenge ourselves to limits beyond our immediate grasp. Oh yeah, **HAPPY BIRTHDAY.** - Sweet

Dear Sweet, If you really want to write a book, you have to live the content before you write the chapters. - **Sour**

Kerry, Alysha, Ayoka, Crystal, Dara, Eshelle, Rose, Stephanie, **WELCOME BACK!** Hope this year is better than last, we only have a short time to go, so hang in true. **Your Girl, La Wanda**

MUSH- Your Birthday's coming up and you'll be 20 soon. I hope you get all you want and more. **Happy Birthday Sugar. Love Princess.**

Kei and Steph- Well the 9-5 posse is now the 9-4 posse, but life goes on. I hope you guys have a great year filled with gorgeous men and endless fun. **Love Princess.**

10 B 93 - I've missed having my good friend around this summer. I'm so happy that you are back. **Your Buddy.**

To the L.A./ Conn. Crew- Last year was fun and I hope this year will be even better. It's nice to have friendships that last through time. **Luv ya, KB**

To the L.A./Conn. Crew, Good luck in your academic studies this year. I know you will do well. Keep focused and don't let distractions get in your way. **KB**

To Kenya K. Smith, For the past 11 months you have brought a special joy into my life and I

thank you. I wish you the best of luck during your Senior year in the School of Architecture. Keep on cookin' - I'll bring dessert. Love ya, Popo

Colorado freshmen: Welcome, I wish you luck here at the Mecca. Work and play hard. Don't lose sight of your goals. Let me know how I can make your stay here mo' betta! Peace n' Luv from your sista outta the real "D.C." Portia Bruner

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Chuckles, As of Friday August 27th at 2:30 pm you don't deserve this but happy 21st Birthday anyhow. Love Aly

Special sorry to H.U. Bison Football team, coach, and staff. **was havin' a bad day!!** Chauncey H.U. Alumni B-Ball/ Dunk Patrol/ Crash Crew Good Luck 93/94 season. **PEACE!!!**

Searching for Soror Cheryl Henderson. Call 667-5955. **YEEP!**

Yo Kev, tell me where all my homies have gone. Kev. Maybe I need to move to Atlanta like Strawn.

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